SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER - LPA

PAT MURRAY AND OTHERS 1962 – 1969 VOL. 1

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PRESIDENT: *Joe Vercellino*

VICE-PRESIDENT: *Neno Carlino*

SECRETARY-TREAS: *Elsie East*

REPORTER: *Hilda Lange*

HISTORIAN: *Pat Murray*

MEETINGS: *Private Homes*

1962 First Meeting San Francisco Bay Chapter
1st Row: Frank Colla; Joe Versalino; Ron Hackl; Neno Carlino; Mary Jane Carlino; Pat Murray
Elsie East
2nd Row: Hilda Lange; Albert Anderson; Delories Versalino; Manette Anderson;
Robert Shoemaker; Lola Cox
3rd Row: Al Stickney; Fluvio Parenti; Bob East; Bob Poe; Fern Mills; Al Mills

We orgainized our Chapter on February 1962 in Albany, Calif. at Miss Hilda Lange home with Miss Pat Murray as co-hostess. There were nineteen members at our first meeting. They were Miss Hilda Lange, Miss Pat Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vercellino, Mr. and Mrs. Bob East, Mr. and Mrs. Neno Carlino, Mr. Chico Colla, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Mills, Mr. Bob Poe, Mr. Fulivo Parenti, Mr. Ron Hackel, Miss Lola Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anderson, Mr. Bob Shoemaker, Mr.. Al Stickney.

ittle People Cut The World Down To Size

By BILL STROBEL

MONTHLY MEETINGS OF THE BAY AREA'S LITTLE PEOPLE INCLUDE ACTIVITIES FOR SMALL FRY, TOO
Story-telling ability of Miss Lola Cox, the organization's oldest member, keeps youngsters entranced

When you are only four feet tall, the world can be big, unfriendly and sometimes even cruel.

The job of the Little People of the Bay Area is to cut it down to size.

The organization, formed early this year, has 26 members—men, women and children who can be roughly classified as either midgets or dwarfs. The youngest is 5, the oldest 73, the smallest, 32 inches, the tallest 4 feet 7.

"Our aim," says Mrs. Elsie East, the group's secretary-treasurer, "is to be treated like normal-sized people instead of children."

"Those of us who are older have had all the hard knocks. Most of us have learned to cope with them," she said. "We hope to help children and other people who are small over the rough spots."

And, there are plenty of rough spots. Employment opportunities are limited for people who are small. Nothing is designed to fit them and there is a tendency among too many people to look upon them as freaks.

Elsie, who stands 4 feet even, and her husband, Robert, who is 4 feet 7, have encountered most of the problems and they have either solved them or learned to live with them.

One of the toughest problems came when the Easts' son, Jon, who is now 10 and will grow up to a normal size, entered school.

He was taunted by fellow students and often came home from school in tears.

"We decided that we had two choices," Mrs. East said. "One was the choice made by too many small people. You hide out from the world. We took the second. We stepped out of the shadows and into the spotlight."

She became a den mother and she and her husband made it a point to become active in parent and other community groups.

In addition to her work with the little people's organization, Mrs. East also is an officer in the California Auto Racing Fan Club and corresponding secretary of the East Bay Coin Club.

Like other members of the group, the Easts found many

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LITTLE PEOPLE TO HOLD FIRST PICNIC SUNDAY

The Little People of the Bay Area, an organization of midgets and dwarfs, will hold their first annual picnic at 10 a.m., Sunday, in Redwood Park.

The program will include entertainment, a baseball game and a business meeting, according to Mrs. Mary Jane Carlino, general chairman.

All little people are invited to attend and can obtain further information from Mrs. Elsie East, secretary, at 3807 Brookdale Ave.

1963

PRESIDENT: *Bob East*

VICE-PRESIDENT: *Fulivo Parenti*

SECRETARY: *Delones Vercellino*

TREASURER: *Al Stickney*

HISTORIAN: *Pat Murray*

BANQUET: *Villa Pelso ~ Oakland*

MEETING: October 20th
38th Avenue ~ Oakland

NEWS REVIEW PHOTOS

ENERGETIC HARDBALL TEAM ENTERTAINED CROWD

The highlights of 1963 were:

Some of the membership attended a evening of enjoyment with Show People of America--"Hi-Jinks" in San Francisco in March.

Mr. Waino Johnson passed away in March. He was a charter Member of L P A.

We held a dance on April 18 with the 39ers Club as co-host in Oakland.

A picnic was enjoyed by all at Redwood Regional Park in Oakland on June 23.

The San Leandro Boat Club invited our group to a Boat Outing on Aug. 3.

We held Baseball practice at Fruitvale Grammer School in Oakland on Friday evenings.

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1963

Bay Area Chapter--Meets the first Saturday of each month 7:30 P.M.
2339 - 38th Ave. Oakland, Calif.

The Bay Area's annual banquet was held February 19 at the Lazy-V in San Bruno.
Special guest was Launa Shelton from the Los Angeles chapter.
It was noted that of the 19 original people present when the group founded in 1962, 14 were present at this banquet.
19 LPs were present at the March meeting. Kathy McGuire, a prospective new member from Menlo Park, was introduced.
Discussion for the first picnic of the year was held.

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Al Rockhurst

1964

PRESIDENT: Bob East

VICE-PRESIDENT: Neno Canlino

SECRETARIES: Dorene & Darlene Howsden

TREASURER: Al Stickney

HISTORIAN: Pat Munnay

BANQUET: Algiers ~ Redwood City
February 15th

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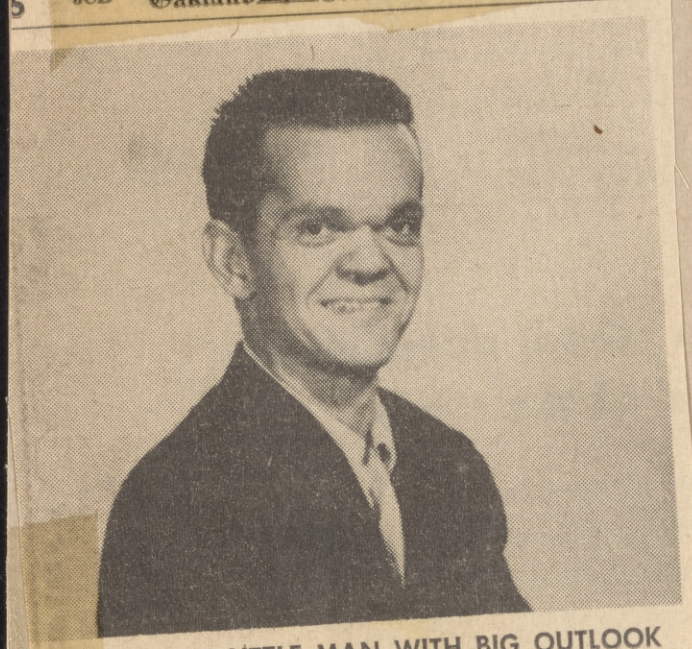


BOB EAST IS LITTLE MAN WITH BIG OUTLOOK
He's Bay Area head of the Little People of America

SMALL MAN TACKLES BIG JOB

Leader of 'Little People' Fights for Normal Lives

By IRA LURVEY

Bob East, a thoughtful little man with a gentle face, quietly talked today of bigotry and prejudice and ostracism and how he must spend his life fighting them.

East is a dwarf.

"Where do I start?" he asked. "At what point did I feel committed to stay off only in the corner and just watch forever? I suppose it all hit home hardest as a teen-ager. All there was then was the movies and the roller skating—and always alone. That was the easiest way out. 'Alone' became my password."

But that is anything but the password now for the 4-foot, 7-inch East. Today, "alone" has become his battle cry.

For East, 42, now a machinist, married and the father of a son, 12, is director of the California-Nevada District of the Little People of America and president of its Bay Area chapter.

And the Little People hope to focus a lot of attention on their problems next weekend when they open a three-day convention in Oakland.

"It would be easy to just talk about the obvious problems —the simple ones, like fitting clothes and non-existent shoes, and things like that," East said.

"But why fool ourselves? The real troubles are so much deeper. How do you find jobs and careers and wives or husbands? How do you convince people who have hid all their lives that their only salvation lies in coming out and facing reality?"

This is the mission East has given himself, he says. He must, he says, become a constant voice to fellow Little People telling them they are so big, they are so real.

"I have no illusions," he said. "Our national organization itself only reaches about half the little people in the nation—we have a membership of 3,000. Our two-state district has 309."

Even that, however, is commendable considering the Little People were only founded seven years ago in Los Angeles by entertainer Billy Barty, who conceived a society devoted "to bringing the little people out into the world, to alleviate their shyness and to help find them employment."

Barty set the group's height limit at 4 feet 10 inches but left all its other avenues wide open. The Little People now admits both children and grandparents, its members represent all economic strata and range from laborers to engineers and teachers.

"Our most thrilling project right now is an expanding scholarship program," East said. "More and more we're trying to impress upon our young people that their main avenue to a normal life is through a good and soundly-based education. You aren't judged as tall or short or midget or what have you when it comes to the arts or sciences — you're judged simply and entirely for what you can contribute.

"That's the kind of dream we want to offer youngsters who suddenly find they're not going to be as tall as others. We want them to say — 'so what? We can still be as smart, or smarter, than others.' "

East met his wife when he was 20. She, too, is a dwarf and they spotted each other at a Modesto roller rink.

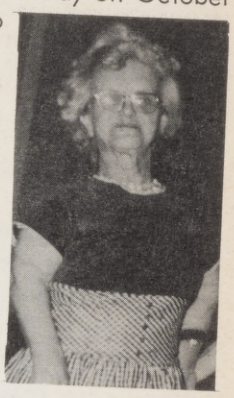
"But we didn't really get friendly then," he said. "Little people are like that. They inherently shy away from one another. Seeing another person like you reminds you how real your problem is. You say, 'Do I look that different, too?' and you get all frightened and want to hide again. Isn't it awful how much our society demands uniformity?"

The Easts married in 1950 and live at 3807 Brookdale Ave. Their son, Jon, of normal height, now is ready to enter teen-age.

"It's not easy on him, either," East said. "The other children teased him for a long time. We finally decided the only defense was a direct approach—so we've gotten as active as all get-out in every P-TA and community and civic function we could contribute to. We enjoy it, our neighbors do, and our son is benefiting. What more can we ask?"

Active Member Celebrates 80th Birthday

Lola Cox, believed to be the Nations oldest active member, celebrated her 80th birthday on October 7. Lola came to work in San Francisco at the Panama Exposition in 1915. After the exposition closed she went to work for a printing and typesetting company in 1919. Although the company has changed ownership several times since then, she has worked there continuously. At one time she was the boss of the present boss. The firm is now known as the Scott Typesetting Service. Lola's job is that of a proofreader bookkeeper, and office girl. In her spare time she makes out income tax returns. She is and has been for some time the corresponding secretary for the Show Folks of America. Earlier this year she was awarded a gold card life membership to that organization. She is considered a valuable employee but has been trying to have her boss let her retire. If this happens, she plans on taking a trip back to her home state of Missouri and visit relatives and friends for a while. She then plans to come back to San Francisco and work part time to keep busy. Lola refuses to apply for an associate membership in the LPA and states that she will continue to pay her dues as long as she is here.



LITTLE PEOPLE OF AMERICA, INC.

CALIFORNIA **DISTRICT 12** NEVADA

Second Annual Convention

September 5, 6, 7, 1964

HOSTS

"LITTLE PEOPLE OF THE BAY AREA"

OAKLAND

"on the sunny side of the bay"

Second Annual Convention Program
of the
LITTLE PEOPLE OF AMERICA, INC.
at the
FOOTHILL WOMENS' HALL
2535 Mason Street
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

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Saturday, September 5th

4:00 p.m. Registration
Meeting Friends and becoming acquainted until 6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. General Meeting

8:00 p.m. Guest Speaker

8:30 p.m. Group Picture

9:00 p.m. Dancing

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Sunday, September 6th

REDWOOD REGIONAL PARK
at the
"OLD CHURCH AREA"

9:00 a.m. Picnicking
All day until 9:00 p.m.

Baseball Game in the afternoon NORTH vs. SOUTH
Games to be enjoyed by all

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Monday, September 7th

Visiting Friends and Sightseeing

Curtis Printing Co., Oakland

THESE ARE SOME OF THE
"OPEN HOMES"
TO OUR "FRIENDS"

MR. & MRS. BOB EAST . . . . . AN 1-1174
3807 BROOKDALE AVENUE
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

MR. & MRS. NENO CARLINO . . . LA 6-6226
5828 SANTA CRUZ AVENUE
RICHMOND 8, CALIFORNIA

MR. & MRS. JOE VERCELLINO . . . 739-6189
896 MANGO AVENUE
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MR. ALFRED STICKNEY . . . . . JU 9-0695
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MISS HILDA LANG . . . . . LA 6-6965
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ALBANY, CALIFORNIA

MRS. JUANITA SMITH 534-1366
2921 THIRTY FIFTH AVENUE
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

MR. ROBERT SHOEMAKER . . . . PL 7-4580
309 ROSS STREET
ANTIOCH, CALIFORNIA

MR. ROBERT POE . . . . . MU 5-7127
1779 LANDANA
CONCORD, CALIFORNIA

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"Please Drive Carefully Going Home"

This program was provided through the courtesy of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, the Oakland City Council and the Convention and Tourist Bureau of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce.

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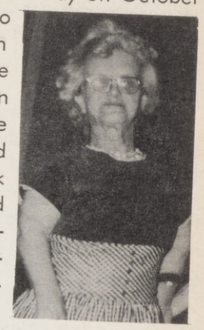

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The highlights of 1964:

One of our first events was a Easter Egg Hunt along with a picnic held at Br ookdale Park on April 5.

Our second picnic was held at Redwood Regional Park on June 7.

A Boat Outing at Kings" Island with The San Leandro Boat Club was on June 21.

A Baseball game with a Pong League was held at Albany High School on July 4, 1964

We hosted a District Convention on Sept. 5, 6, 7 in Oakland at Foothill Women's Hall.

Our second dance with the 39ers Club on Nov. 21 was a success.

1965

PRESIDENT: *Al Stickney*

VICE-PRESIDENT: *Joe Vercellino*

SECRETARY: *Hilda Lange*

TREASURER: *Neno Canlino*

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: *Emeny Souza*

HISTORIAN: *Pat Munnay*

BANQUET: *Golden West - Oakland*

March 20th

TEENAGERS COLUMN

Darlene and Dorene Howsden
2680 Dunn Rd., Hayward, California

During the third annual District 12 convention, the Teenagers met. Those attending were Tom Henderson, Gordon England, Andre Boursee, John Ramerez, and Chairmen Dorren and Darlene Howsden. Here is our report to all teenagers.

WHAT HAS LPA DONE FOR YOU?

By joining LPA a teenager can gain self respect for himself and his size. LPA helps you gain self-confidence in your abilities.

A person should get all the education he can. Many teenagers do not really know what they want to be so it is a good idea to have your high school or college counselor give you advice and talk with you on your skills and abilities.

There is no reason for a person not to get a higher education if he so desires. There are organizations that can help. Many colleges have a loan fund. A number of scholarships are available to graduates of a college who are continuing their education elsewhere and to students who will continue at there same college. Interested students should inquire at the Student Personnel Office in your own school. Students interested in part time or full time employment while attending college should register with the employment counselor in the Student Personnel Office. Job referral for graduates seeking career positions is also a function of this office.

WHAT WOULD THE TEENAGERS LIKE FROM LPA?

We would like to have more social gatherings among ourselves. We would like to have a teenage representative on the Board of Directors. We would like to see the LPA become a world wide organization so we could correspond with other teenagers.

WHAT IMPROVEMENTS CAN BE DONE TO THE TEENAGE COLUMN?

We could appoint representatives throughout the United States. Have a point of interest section where teenagers, as a group, can get together. Have a fashion section.

HOW HAS LPA HELPED PERSONAL FRIENDS UNDERSTAND YOUR PROBLEM?

The answer we arrived with was let your friends know your abilities. Tell your friends about LPA. Let them know what we do and all the fun and enjoyment we get out of it. When people joke about your size, joke right back.

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1966

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VICE-PRESIDENT: *Julivio Panenti*

SECRETARY: *Hilda Lange*

TREASURER: *~Mary Jane Canlino*

SERGEAN·AT·ARMS: *~Martin Rogers*

BANQUET: *Lazy 'V' ~ San Bruno*
February 19th

The highlights of 1965:

On April 24 at the Liquire Hall in Oakland, we held a dance with the 39ers Club as co-host.

A L.P.A. picnic was held at Tilden Park at the Fern Picnic Area.

The highlights of 1966:

We held a picnic at Huddart Park in San Mateo on May 28, 1966

A farewell party for Miss Nancy Jenkins who moved to Canada was held in June.

Everybody enjoyed playing golf (Minature) at Marsh Road in Menlo Park on Aug. 27.

The Colla's was host to our Holloween Party on Oct. 28 .

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HUDDART PARK

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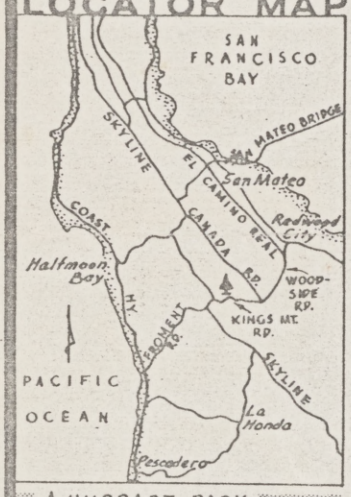

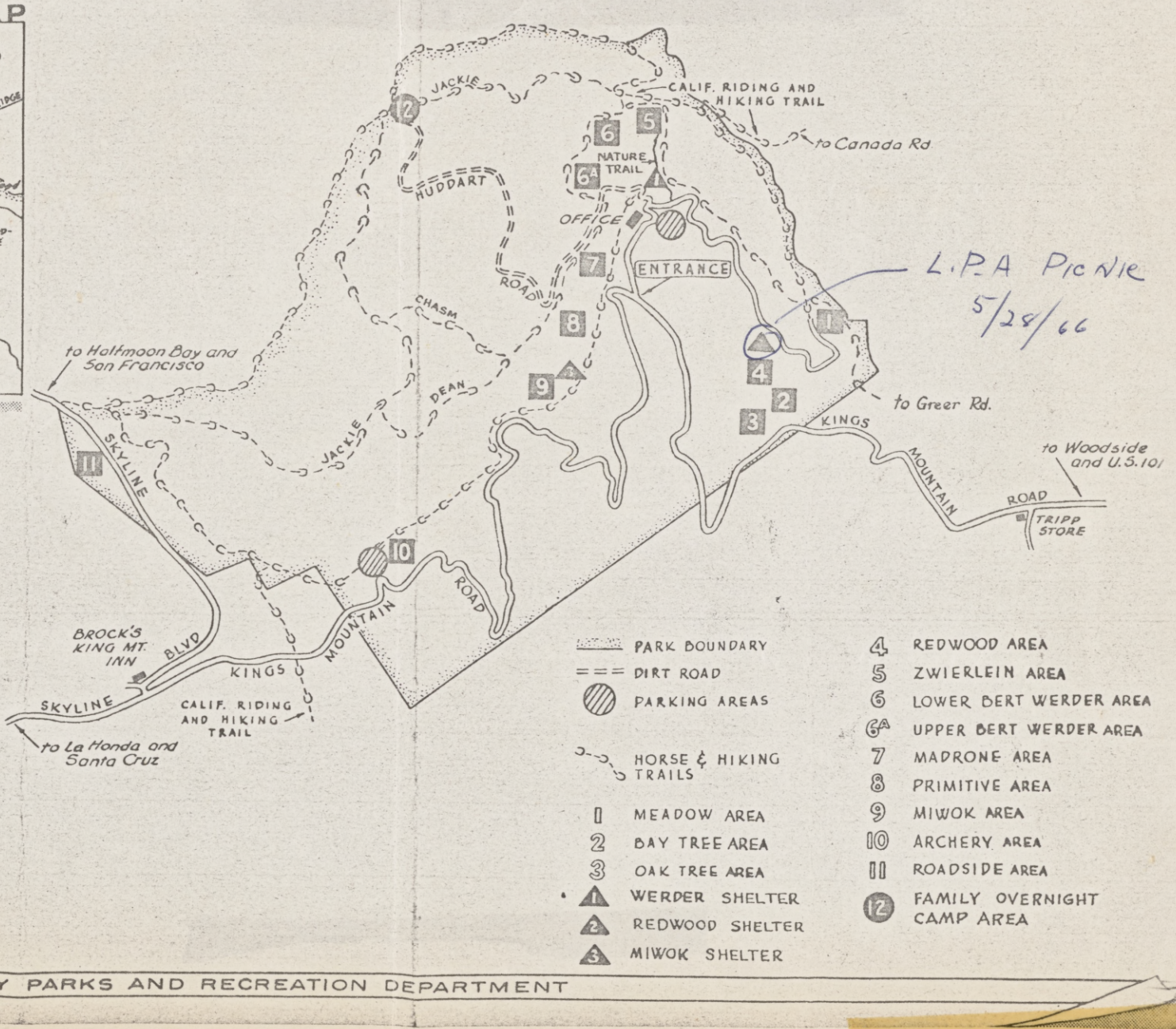

L.P.A Picnic 5/28/66

SAN MATEO COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1966

Bay Area Chapter Holds Annual Elections

Al Stickney was re-elected president, Fulvio Parenti Vice-president, Hilda Lange Secretary, Mary Jane Carlino Treas., Martin Rogers Sgt. at Arms.
The Forthcoming annual banquet was discussed. More news in the next issue.

1967

PRESIDENT: Neno Carlino

VICE-PRESIDENT: John Abbott

SECRETARY: Cathy Samson

TREASURERS: Donene & Danlene Howsden

BANQUET: Lake Merrit Hotel
February 4th

MEETINGS: Cabrillo School ~ Fremont

ALBERT A. (Shorty) ANDERSON
On retirement, the Mayor paid tribute

Veteran News Vender

Rites for Albert Anderson

Funeral services will be held in San Bruno today (Thursday) for Albert A. (Shorty) Anderson, longtime vendor of The Chronicle, who died Sunday at the age of 72.

A well-known San Francisco figure who sold papers at Grant avenue and Market street for 30 years, Mr. Anderson was honored by then-Mayor George Christopher in 1961, when he announced the time had come to retire.

Mr. Anderson, who stood just four-feet two-and-a-half inches tall, established his newsstand on February 6, 1930, after a successful circus career that included fire eating and working with lions.

Customers walked blocks out of their way to buy papers from him. "I talk nice to them," he said, explaining his popularity.

A bad leg and heart trouble forced his retirement, and as he closed up shop Mayor Christopher and a crowd of friends were on hand to wish him well and present him with an official proclamation marking that day as "Shorty Anderson Day."

In retirement he made his home with his wife, Mary Mannette, who stood several inches shorter than he, at 970 Green avenue in San Bruno.

Both were life-long members of Little People of America.

Mr. Anderson is survived by his wife.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. at the San Bruno Funeral Home at 200 West San Bruno avenue. Interment will be at Sunset Mausoleum in Berkeley.

December 2, a combinationa PotnLuck dinner, meeting and Xmas party was held at the Presiden't home, Mr. & Mrs. Nino Carlino in Richmond. About 40 members attended and welcomed back 12 old members to the fold. One of them was Ruth McCarty of Niles and the Costillo family of Concord. After the meeting, they were entertained by four different members: Sandy Costillo of Concord played the Accordian and everyone sang Xmas Carols. Mrs. Harriet Stickney did a short skit for the group. Following this act, Fulvio Parenti played his accordian and he and Nino sang some songs and then the group joined in and sang songs.

The Twins Dorene and Darlene Howsden celebrated their 21st Birthday since the last meeting.

Sheriff's Ladies To Meet

The Sheriff's Ladies of Contra Costa County will meet Thursday, July 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Richmond, to hear Mr. and Mrs. Neno Carlino, presidents of "Little People of America, Inc.," discuss problems encountered with little people and normal size children, inconveniences of driving, trying to use normal size drinking faucets, and various other problem that arise because of their size.

A business meeting will follow the diner and "The Little People of America's" discussion.

There will be a discussion for the fall fund raising event. Announcement will be made in regards to the installation of outdoor carpet that was installed at "Edgar Cottage" for neglected children. The carpet was donated by "Stubbs Carpets" through the Sheriff's Ladies and was installed in the patio area for the small children to play on.

Another topic discussed will be in regards to the chapel at the Rehabilitation Center in Clayton which is one of the Sheriff's Ladies main goals. A pulpit from old St. Mary's Church in San Francisco has been donated for this chapel. Any church wanting to contribute to this fine project may contact the club's president, Mrs. W. M. Hicks, 685-7625 in Concord or Sheriff Walter F. Young of Contra Costa County who sponsors the Sheriff's Ladies. Any donations will be warmly received and appreciated.

Chairman for this month's dinner arrangements is Mrs. Lill Frommer.

SHERIFF'S LADIES OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

JULY 20, 1967

HOLIDAY INN, 913 W. CUTTING BLVD., RICHMOND

THERE IS A DESTINY THAT MAKES US BROTHERS;
NONE GOES HIS WAY ALONE;
ALL THAT WE SEND INTO THE LIVES OF OTHERS
COMES BACK INTO OUR OWN.

I CARE NOT WHAT HIS TEMPLES OR HIS CREEDS;
ONE THING HOLDS FIRM AND FAST;
THAT INTO HIS FATEFUL HEAP OF DAYS AND DEEDS
THE SOUL OF MAN IS CAST.

EDWIN MARKHAM

SPONSORED BY: SHERIFF WALTER F. YOUNG
COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA

AGENDA

INVOCATION

FLAG SALUTE

DINNER

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Mr. & Mrs. Neno Carlino, Pres.
Little People of America, Inc.

RECESS - 5 Minutes

BUSINESS MEETING:

Carpet at Edgar Cottage
Chapel Progress
Fall Fund Event
Weapons Firing Instructions
By-Laws Amendments

ADJOURNMENT

Note:

Dues - Must be paid by August 1 or name automatically dropped from roster.

Next meeting - August 17 - 8 P.M.
Antioch

Send money to Rosalie Cavallaro by August 14.
No reservation made unless paid.

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CHAPTER CHAIRMEN

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SAN FRANCISCO
Alfred Stickney
Box 633
San Bruno, Cal. 94066
MEET 1st Sat. each month

SAN FRANCISCO AND BAY AREA:
Al Stickney and his wife, the former Harriet Hoppert were welcomed to the Chapter Meeting. Several visitors who attended were Carol Gray's friends, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Douglas and Cathy Samson brought her niece and nephew, Frankie and Jody Powell.

Twenty-seven people attended the picnic August 5th at Happy Hollow in San Jose, California.

Nino Carlino was presented with a plaque.

San Francisco Bay Area Meeting:
Place: Cabrillo School - 7:30 P...
36700 San Pedro Drive
Fremont, California
1st Saturday of each month

SAN FRANCISCO AND BAY AREA:
Carol Gray was married to Mr. Lloyd William Belknap on Friday, the twenty-fifth of August at eight o'clock in the evening at the Second Baptist Church, 1241 Pacific Ave.,San Leandro,California. Reception followed immediately after the ceremony. Best of Luck to both of them.

A Roller Skating party was held on September 29th. Also Bowling was held at the Golden Gate Lanes on October 14th.

At the October 7th meeting, all the members that attended sang "Happy Birthday" to Lola Cox on her 83rd Birthday.

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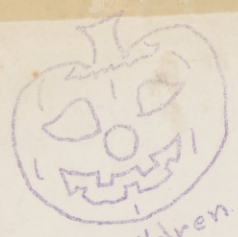
MEETINGS: *American Savings & Loan*
Hayward



Children may be in costume!! There will be prizes!

Little-Littles Halloween

(and a meeting for their parents and other interested adults)

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 27 - 1968

beginning at 2:00 P.M.

at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Welch and John

5552 Golden Gate Ave, Oakland, Calif.

Phone 653-6214

An Accordian Band
story-Telling
Game!

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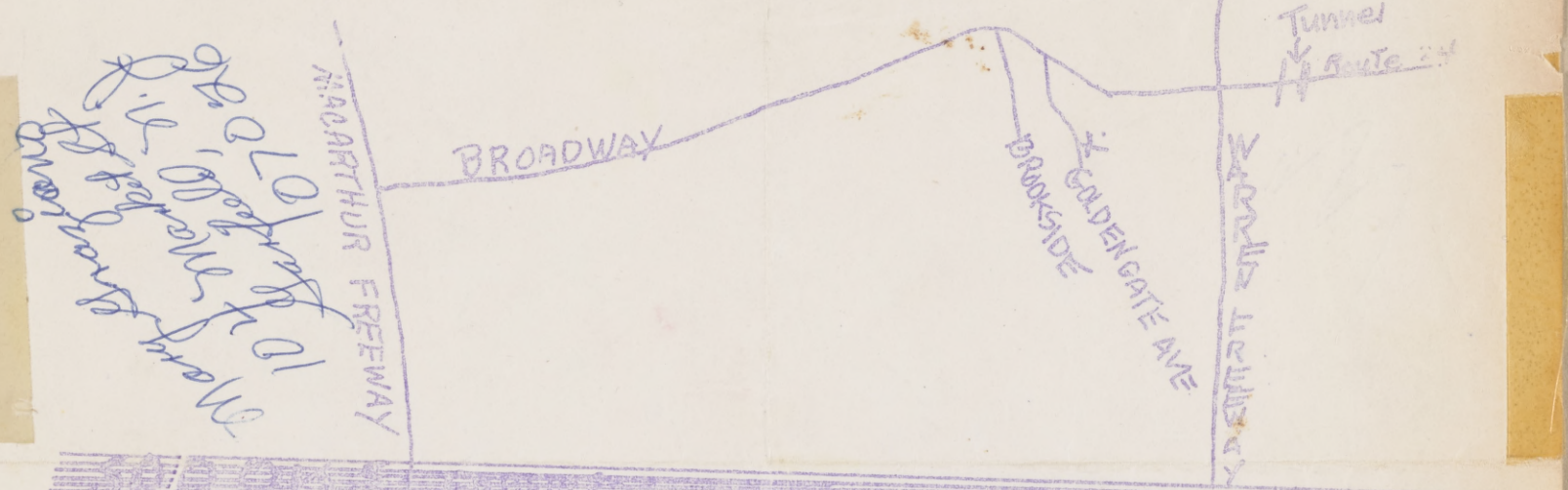

FOR THE ADULTS: While the children are having their supervised party, we will have a meeting to plan activities for 1969. We may have a tape nacrated by Dr. Rimoin of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. discussing the various medical aspects of dwarfism.

BRING YOUR IDEAS! For example: names and addresses of interested doctors, sociologists, educators and any others who might be willing to speak to the group. Please think of discussion topics for the group such as clothes, schools, physical and mental development. How about suggestions for social activities in 1969 for little ittles and their families.

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2:00

The OCTOBER 27 party-meeting will be a FRANKFURTER FROLIC (wieners will be provided, but will you please bring plates, cups, and tableware for each member of your family...

IN ADDITION, would you let Ann Welch know by October 25 which of the following foods you'd be willing to bring.....

- SOME TYPE OF SALAD
- BAKED BEANS (for 10-12 servings)
- WEINER BUNS
- YOUR PARTICULAR PICNIC SPECIALITY..
- PACKAGES OF PRE-SWEETENED ORANGE KOOL-AID
- COOKIES..BARS..ICE CREAM BARS..OR A CAKE...
- A LARGE BOX OF POTATOE CHIPS
- RELISHES (such as carrot sticks, celery Dill Pickles dishes..etc. That's radishes!)

Jello salad

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1968

DO YOU ALL KNOW YOUR REPRESENTATIVES? IF YOU DO OR DON'T LET US START WRITING TO ONE ANOTHER MORE AND BECOME BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH EACH OTHER. WE NEVER KNOW WHEN THAT TIME MAY COME WHEN WE WANT TO CALL ON A FRIEND. LET'S TRY SOMETHING NEW AND GET OUT YOUR MAILING LIST AND DROP SOMEONE A CARD OR NOTE JUST TO SAY HELLO. INTRODUCE YOURSELF IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE PERSON. TELL THEM YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM AT A MEETING. ASK THEM IF THEY NEED A RIDE. INVITE THEM TO YOUR HOME, INVITE THEM TO THE MEETING. DON'T BE AFRAID TO SAY HELLO TO A STRANGER IN L.P.A. I HAVE FOUND ONLY A FEW L.P.A. MEMBERS WHO ARE STRANGERS. KEEP IN MIND THAT MOST LITTLE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT ATTENDING MEETINGS OR PARTIES DO NOT HAVE A RIDE. THEY WANT TO COME BUT SOME DO NOT WANT TO ASK. CHECK OVER THOSE MEMBERS AT LARGE IN YOUR AREA AND SAY HELLO. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A MAILING LIST LET ME KNOW. IF YOU NEED A PHONE NUMBER CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVE. IF YOU NEED A RIDE ALSO CONTACT HIM. HE OR SHE WILL BE MORE THEN HAPPY TO TALK TO YOU. NOW WHO WHO DO WE CONTACT? READY, GET SET, CALL OR WRITE: SAN DIEGO COORDINATORS: BONNIE CREMER, LINDA MCCOMB: BOX 382, SAN MARCUS, CALIF. (714) 744-0116... LOS ANGELES PRESIDENT, OTTO BOHMANN: 541 BELLA DRIVE, NEWBURY PARK, CALIF. (805) 498-4383....SACRAMENTO AREA: MARY ANN SCHROEDER, 3700 MORSE AVE. #37, SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (916) 487-5563. SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER PRESIDENT, NENO CARLINO, 5828 SANTA CRUZ, RICHMOND, CALIF. (415) 526-6226. AND AGAIN IF YOU LOST YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTORS ADDRESS, IT IS BILLY BARTY, 4502 FARMDALE AVE., NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. (213) 762-9917, 762-7198. IN THE FRESNO AREA CALL OR WRITE DARRELL DIETRICH, 1724 MINNEWAW #109, CLOVIS, CALIF. (209) 299-7400. NOW YOU HAVE THE INFORMATION SO LET US GET OUT THAT PENCIL AND PAPER AND WRITE, OR CALL AND BECOME INVOLVED. REMEMBER, WE CAN'T BECOME A GROUP WITH INDIVIDUALS.

BUSY, BUSY, BUSY, WE ALL KEEP HELPING L.P.A. WE WANT TO GET INVOLVED, SO DO IT TODAY.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER NEWS, MRS. BOB EAST REPORTING.....
MRS. HARRIET STICKNEY.....
CATHY SAMSON

THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CONTINUES THE MANY ACTIVITIES OF THEIR BUSINESS MEETINGS AND FUN TIME GET TOGETHERS. A TOTAL OF 49 PERSONS ENJOYED A HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR THE CHILDREN AT THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. TOM WELCH. ENTERTAINMENT WAS PROVIDED FOR BY THE ACCORDIAN BAND, OF WHICH SANDY COSTILLO IS A MEMBER. SANDY IS THE SISTER OF LL LINDA. SPRIGHTLY TUNES, OLD AND NEW, SET MANY A FOOT A DANCING. THE BAND PLAYED SPOOKY MUSIC AS THE CHILDREN PARADED IN THEIR COSTUMES. PRIZES WERE AWARDED TO JOHN WELCH (YOUNGEST GHOST PRESENT AT 17 MONTHS), JOSHUA, MATTHEW AND RUTH ROLOFF, IRVING AND KATHY SCIBLE, LINDA AND JUNIOR COSTILLO, JAMES VERCELLINO, AND ANTHONY AND JACK CARLINO.

JUDY AND PEGGY CARLINO SUPERVISED THE HALLOWEEN GAMES. IT WAS NOT ONLY TOTAL FUN FOR THE CHILDREN AND ADULTS BUT VERY INFORMATIVE FOR THE ADULTS AS THEY LISTENED TO A TAPE RECORDING DONE BY DR. DAVID RIMOIN OF WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS. COPIES OF THE SUMMARIES OF VARIOUS MEETINGS HELD BY THE LOS ANGELES PARENT'S GROUP WERE ALSO DISTRIBUTED. A DISCUSSION BY THE ADULTS FOLLOWED RIMOINS TAPE ON DWARFISM. THE WELCHES WILL ALSO HOST THE NEXT GET TOGETHER, A CHRISTMAS PARTY TO BE HELD SUNDAY, DEC. 15, BEGINNING AT 2:00. ALL ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. CHRISTMAS PARTY AT FULVIO PARENTI HOME DEC. 21.

ACCORDING TO NENO THE CHAPTER IS STRIVING HARDER TO GET NEW MEMBERS AND HAVE MANY ACTIVITIES BEING PLANNED. MAINLY THE BIG DISTRICT MEETING COMING UP EARLY NEXT YEAR. BOB EAST IS CHECKING INTO HOLIDAY INN. NENO ASKED FOR NEW IDEAS FOR NEXT YEAR FROM THE 21 MEMBERS PRESENT. A BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD DEC. 15 AT THE EAST'S HOME.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER***

A family picnic pot-luck was held Sunday,August 18th,at the home of Mr.and Mrs. Ronald Roloff,in Concord,California. 41 people attended and a merry time was had by the nine Little-Littles,their brothers,sisters,parents,and other interested adults.
Mrs.Alfred Stickney,Parent Auxiliary coordinator for Northern California,was in chage of the short meeting that was held. Mr. Nono Carlino,Bay Area Chapter President,was introduced as were other members. The Costillo's,Scibles,and Lomases,were other old-timers present. The Welche's have a 14th month old son named John.
A good exchange of dialogue went on between the parents. Bob East,gave a short report on the Recent National Convention.
The next meeting of the Parents group will be in connection with a Halloween Party,for the Little Littles,to be hld on Sunday, October 27th,at 2;00 P.M. Hosts for the affair will be Attorney, and Mrs,Thomas Welch,5552 Golden Gate Avenue,Oakland,California
All parents of the Little Littles,and the rest of their families are cordially invited. I feel right in reporting that due to the District Convention in Las Vegas,Nono Carlino,stated that no Chapter meeting will be held in hopes that all will attend the Las Vegas meetings.
FLASH TO THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA---------
San Francisco Bay area is an offical chapter in L.P.A. These people living in the following counties should pay their 1968-69 dues to that chapter. The counties are:Alameda,Contra Costa,Marin,Napa, San Francisco,Santa Clara,Santa Cruz,San Mateo,Solano,and Sonoma. If you have not paid your dues please send it in immediately to Mr. Nono Carlino,5828 Santa Cruz Avenue,Richmond California 94808.

LITTLE PEOPLE OF AMERICA, Inc.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER

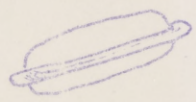
HAS BEEN APPROVED A CHAPTER CHARTER ON OFFICIAL BOARD

OF DIRECTOR'S ACTION OF LITTLE PEOPLE OF AMERICA INC.

DATED JULY 22, 1968

Charles Bedow
VICE-PRESIDENT, LPA
Charles Bedow

Heigh Ho!! Come to a Family Picnic Potluck
for little littles - and their families
and all interested LPA members —



Sunday - August 18, 2:00 P.M

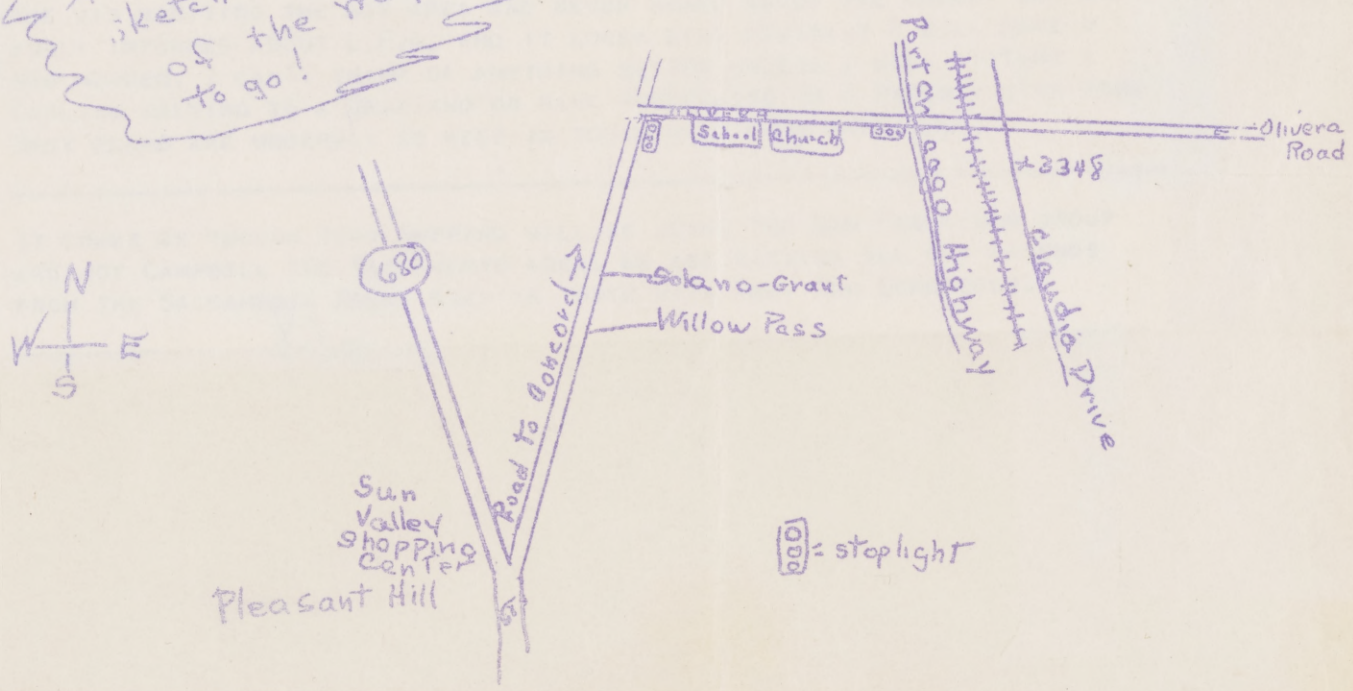
in the backyard of
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Roloff
3348 Claudia
Concord, California — 94520

Bring — hamburgers or hot dogs - a grill will be available — Bring Rolls — plates - glasses or cups — Tableware - for your family — and other picnic food - to be shared - pot luck —
Punch and coffee will be provided!

Please! Let the Roloffs know by letter or phone PHONE NUMBER — 689-9162 — by Friday, Aug. 16 - if you plan to come and how many there will be!

HOPE TO SEE YOU - AUGUST 18 —

A sketch map of the way to go!



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WEDDING BELLS RANG TWICE THIS PAST MONTH. DARLENE HOWSDEN BECAME MRS. CARL MCGREGOR AND DORENE HOWSDEN BECAME MRS. KENNY WILLIAMS. THEY WERE MARRIED AT THE MT. EDEN SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH IN HAYWARD CALIF. SEVERAL OF THE MEMBERS ATTENDED THE BEAUTIFUL WEDDING AND OUR SINCERE WISHES GOES OUT TO ALL THE NEWLY WEDS.

THE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN REALLY ENJOYING THEMSELVES AND SOME WENT BALLROOM DANCING. NENO AND MARY JANE CARLINO WERE VISITING THEIR COUSIN, AND BY CO-INCIDENCE THEY MET L.P.A. MARY GRAZIANO FROM GARFIELD NEW JERSEY. SHE WAS VISITING THE BAY AREA AND NEVER HEARD ABOUT THE GROUP. SHE WAS FULLY INFORMED ABOUT L.P.A. AND IT LOOKS LIKE DISTRICT 2 WILL HAVE A NEW MEMBER. I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING BETTER UNLESS , WELL PICTURE A CARLINO TALKING TO A GRAZIANO OB HAVE VERCELLINO OR A PARENTI WITH YOU. MANY PLANS ARE UNDERWAY SO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR PRESIDENT.

IT LOOKS AS THOUGH TODD SHEPARD WILL BE JOING THE SAN FRANCISCO GROUP AND JOY CAMPBELL THE SACRAMENTO AREA. WE ARE MISSING ALL OUR FRIENDS FROM THE SACRAMENTO AREA. KEEP IN TOUCH WITH MARY ANN SCHROEDER.

Bay Area Chapter
Little People of America
Annual Banquet
Feb.17,1968
7:30P.M.
Lazy V Restaurant San Bruno
$5.00 per-person

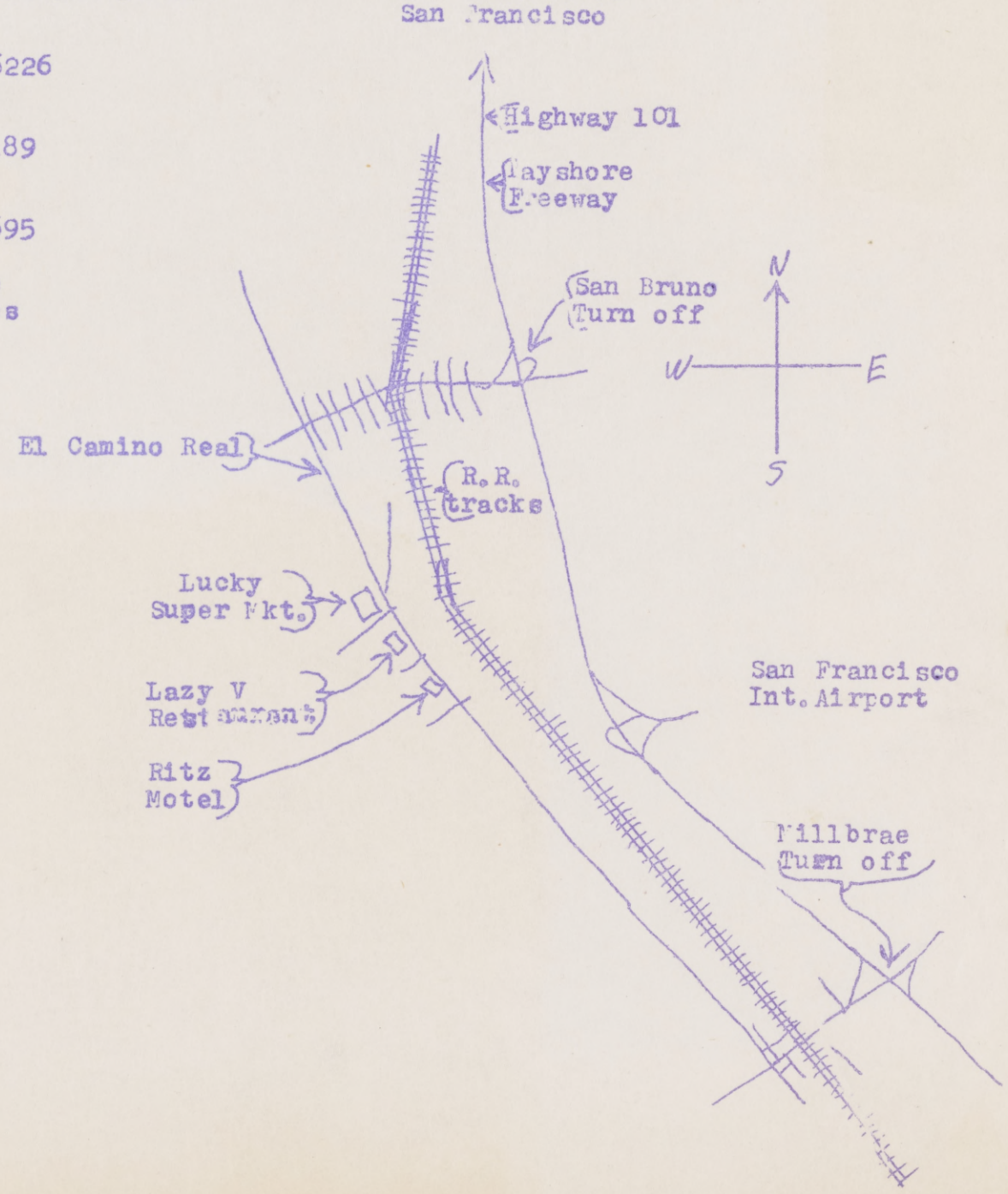
For Reservations contact one
of the following people prior
to Feb.11,1968
Richmond
Carlino----LA.6-6226

Sunnyvalle
Vercellino-739-6189

San Bruno
Stickney----589-0695

Dancing after the
Banquet activities

PLEASE NOTE
DO NOT TAKE SAN BRUNO AVE.
EXIT IN SAN FRANCISCO
SAN BRUNO EXIT YOU WANT TO
TAKE IS JUST S. of S.SAN FRAN..



The Pitch

May 26, 1968

Broken Hearted

Dear Member:

It is with heavy heart that we report the passing of "everybody's darling," Lola Cox our ever faithful Corresponding Secretary. Lola passed away at her home on Wednesday, May 22nd and will be laid to rest as she wished in our Show Folks Plot on Tuesday, May 28th. Funeral Services will be conducted by Daphne's S.F. Funeral Service-1 Church St., at 3:00 P.M.

We are grateful to Ardinelle Wright for her gifted words of tribute to this grand little lady.

Our little Lola bright and gay,
Wont be at the meeting, she's gone away
Her sweet smiling face we'll miss from now on,
No need to look for her, really -- she's gone.
Her great heart was needed, God called here there,
He wanted her with him, in a place where
All people are as sweet as our dear friend,
so this is her beginning, not really her end.

Little Lola was 83 years old, born in LaMar, Missouri, we believe her family numbered 11. She learned the printing trade from the publisher of the town newspaper but persuaded her family to let her join a company of "little people" who chanced to visit her home town, her first love was show-business. She came to San Francisco in 1915 and went to work as a proof reader in a lynotype office. The firm changed hands several times but Lola remained with it for about 50 years, she retired at the age of 81.

Our sympathies are extended to her family who survive her and the many sorrowing friends who are countless.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace G. Kingston

request the honour of your presence

at the marriage of their daughter

Linda Jo

to

Mr. Emory David Souza

on Saturday, the eleventh of May

nineteen hundred and sixty-eight

at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening

Mount Olive Lutheran Church

3561 Foothill Boulevard

La Crescenta, California

Reception following

President
LEE KITCHENS
938 Blue Lake Circle
Richardson, Texas 75080

Vice President
CHARLES BEDOW
Box 126
Owatonna, Minn. 55060

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April 18, 1968

Mr. Neno Carlino
5828 Santa Cruz Avenue
Richmond, California 95804

Dear Neno:

Thank you very much for the application for Chapter Charter that you submitted March 8th. I regret not replying to you earlier but I went back into the hospital the day I received your application. I must compliment you and your committee on the fine work in putting together your constitution and by-laws.

The record of performance in the San Francisco Bay area in my estimation is such that I have confidence that the chapter will be a strong one. My recommendation to the Chapter committee will be that the chapter be presented a charter at the annual convention.

Your application will be forwarded to the other members of the Executive Committee for their approval, and if approved as noted above, will be granted at convention time. At the time your charter is granted, a portion of all membership dues collected from that date on will be available to the local chapter in carrying out its duties.

Very truly yours,

Lee Kitchens
President

LK/bh

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter has been approved as an official chapter by the executive board of LPA. Their parents' auxiliary met May 26 at the Neno Carlino home. They will also meet July 14 at the Ron Roloff home in Concord, California.

The highlights of 1968 were:

A picnic was held in the Redwood Regional Park on June 1.

Everybody enjoy the Housewarming party held at Al and Harriet Stickney in San Bruno on July 14.

We had a bowling party at the Golden Gate Lane in Elcerrito on August 17, 1968.

In the month of September, a Roller skating party was held in Hayward, On 28th of Sept.

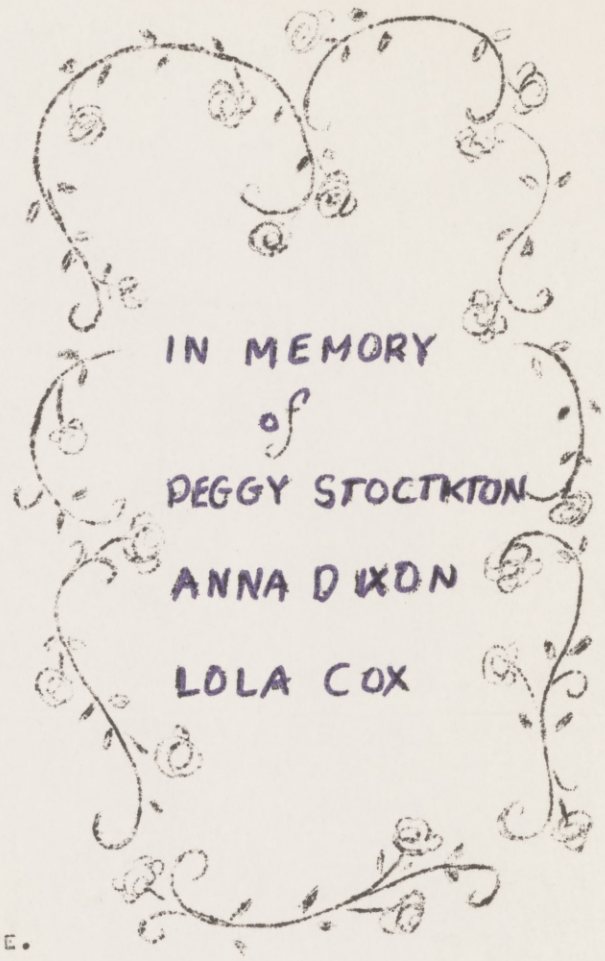
Many of us enjoyed dancing at the AliBaba Dance Hall in Oakland on Sept. 14.

We held our first garage sale in December.

Our annual Christmas Party was held at Al and Harriet Stickney home in San Bruno on December 21.

LITTLE PEOPLE OF AMERICA
DISTRICT 12
NEWSLETTER
CALIFORNIA, HAWAII, NEVADA
NOVEMBER, 1968

MANY OF YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR NATIONAL NEWSLETTER AND HAVE HEARD THE NEWS ABOUT OUR BELOVED ANNA DIXON. I WILL NOT REPEAT MY ARTICLE FOR THE NATIONAL NEWSLETTER BUT I FEEL GORDON ENGLANDS BEAUTIFUL POEM CONVEYED ALL OUR THOUGHTS IN HIS POEM WHICH I FEEL IS WORTH REPEATING. THE GOOD LORD CALLS US WHETHER WE ARE IN OUR YOUTH, PRIME, OR IT IS TIME. I RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM NENO CARLINO, SAN FRANCISCO AREA PRESIDENT, WHO INFORMED ME THAT PEGGY STOCKTON WAS KILLED IN A HEAD ON COLLISION. PEGGY WAS IN HER PRIME AND AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WAS A CREDIT TO L.P.A. WE HAVE KNOWN HER FOR YEARS AND SHE LOVED LIFE. THIS PAST YEAR WE HAVE LOST THREE DEVOTED AND LOVED ONES. IF I MAY TAKE LIBERTY, MAY GORDON ENGLANDS POEM EXPRESS ALL OUR FEELINGS TOWARD ANNA, LOLA, AND PEGGY.



WAS IT I WHO CRIED
FOR THIS ONE WHO DIED?
ALL MY TEARS IN VAIN
FOR WHAT COULD THEY GAIN.
OH GOD, FORGET THEE NOT OUR LOVE,
AND FIND HER A PLACE WITH THEE ABOVE.
WITH HER WORK THERE WAS NO EASE.
SHE WAS DEVOTED AND TRIED TO PLEASE.
AND I PRAY FOR HER LOVING SOUL,
THAT SHE'LL BE WITH THEE IN THY ABODE. BY GORDON ENGLAND

AS I AM DRYING THE TEARS FROM MY EYES, AND CONTINUE TYPIJG THIS NEWSLETTER, MAY WE ALL BECOME INVOLVED WITH L.P.A. WORK AS WAS ANNA, LOLA, AND PEGGY. IT HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY MRS. STOCKTON, THAT, IN HER MEMORY, MONEY BE DONATED TO TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

NEWS, NEWS, A PLENTY

IF THE NEWS KEEPS COMING IN FROM THE DISTRICT AND CHAPTERS ABOUT THE MANY ACTIVITIES THAT ARE GOING ON, AND WILL BE GOING ON, WE WILL NEED TO PUBLISH A BOOK. KEEP IT UP. I WILL TRY TO KEEP IT AS BRIEF AS POSSIBLE. LET US WELCOME TO DISTRICT 12 TODD SHEPARD, 11 YEARS OLD FROM STANFORD, CALIF. DENISE SPARLING FROM SANTA ANA, JOY CAMPBELL FROM ESPARTO, AND HARRY DICKSON JR. FROM RIVERSIDE. ALSO NOW IN DISTRICT 12 IS JANET HARRIS FROM ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO. SHE PLANS TO ATTEND U.S.C.

Miss Lola Cox
1884 - 1968

Eulogy delivered by Mrs. A. F. Stickney on May 28, 1968

As I stood before Lola's casket, it seemed so different to see Lola with closed eyes. Those shiny, sparkling eyes, that twinkly smile, and a friendly word, were all a part of her. Even when she was not feeling too well, Lola tried to keep her voice peppy, her spirits gay, and looked at the world pleasantly.

From coast to coast, the members of Little People of America dearly loved Lola, our oldest member, but only in age. For Lola was young of heart a nd spirit, and she served as an inspiration to all who knew her. Many people, half her age, were not nearly as young as she when it came to looking at life and its problems.

Kindness is another word one thinks of. Without fanfare, Lola did many, many thoughtful things for so many. I imagine each one of us can think of that extra something beyond the call of duty that Lola did for us. She loved to see people happy and helped to make them so. Not only was she kind to others, but she appreciated kindness done for her, and "thanks" came to her lips, quickly.

However, there was a practical and sensible side to our Lola. You don't make the mark she made in life without a lot of good thought and ha rd work. Up to the last, she kept her alert mind, for which we were thankful and so was she. Not too long ago, Lola said to me, "I hope my body goes before my mind does," Her wish was granted, and in our sadness this should cheer us, too.

For behind her, Lola has left a memory of a personality that will be with us all for the rest of our lives. As a final salute to our Lola, a truly beautiful soul, I quote this last verse of an old Indian poem.

" Beauty is in yourself,
Good deeds, happy thoughts
That repeat themselves
In your dreams,
In your work,
And even in your rest."

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The Race Is On

THE GOOD LIFE is truly enjoyed by this trio of Concord boys. From left, Samuel, Joshua and Mathew Roloff, are dwarfs who have an understanding pair of parents who have helped the three accept their place in life and grow up with a healthy attitude. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Roloff moved to Concord 2½ years ago "because our home in San Francisco had too many stairs and not enough room. It just wasn't healthy for the boys." — Transcript Photo

Dwarf Boys Blessing For Concord Couple

By KEVIN PARRISH
Transcript Staff Writer

"Three successive dwarf boys have blessed our lives," says Mrs. Ronald Roloff, a 28-year-old Concord housewife who has her own special brand of problem.

Mr. and Mrs. Roloff, 3348 Claudia Dr., Concord, moved to this city 2½ years ago after having two children — both dyastrothic midgets and a third youngster on the way. The third, born here, was also a dwarf.

They have, along with their eight-year-old daughter Ruthie, become active members within the central county community. Members of Walnut Creek's Evangelical Free Church, the children attend the Walnut Creek Christian Academy, only for "the Christian influence."

The family recently returned home from Baltimore, Md., where they attended the Little People of America Convention. Although Roloff, a driver for San Jose Trailways, couldn't afford the trip for his six-member family, help came from Baltimore's Johns Hopkins hospital.

The medical institution is interested in the rare condition causing the Roloff boys' body structure.

The hospital is conducting a study of short statured persons — particularly the Roloff type. The first week of their visit to the East was spent under observation. The second week was reserved for activities of the national midget organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Roloff have become unofficial Bay Area chairmen for the group which "helps little people adjust to the world."

The convention featured a fashion show of wedding dresses, dancing, special guest speakers, Mr. and Miss Teen LPA and banquets.

The Concord residents came here because "our home in San Francisco, had a lot of stairs, which wasn't good for the boys, and rent was getting so high."

The boys, Mathew, 6, Joshua, 3 and Sam six months, are adjusting well to their unusual place in life. "We had always gone to church," says their beaming mother, "but it wasn't until the boys came along that we really knew the Lord."

The boys have grown up in a home with their parents who "try to concentrate on attitude within the family, because we know that's what is really going to be important as the kids get older."

"It took us two years to find out that Mathew was a dwarf. We had only thought that he had short arms and legs," comments his mother.

"When we did find out, the doctors assured us that it wasn't an hereditary thing, saying it would never happen again.

"Then along came Joshua. We found out from x-rays on the second day that he was going to be the same. In fact, his heart is the weakest of all three boys and at first, the doctors said he'd never live.

"It's a miracle today that he's alive. He only has one chamber in his heart instead of the usual four.

"When Samuel, our most recent, came I just knew that it was the gift of God and that's the reason for his name. Samuel means 'gift of God' in Hebrew."

Trying to raise the dwarfed children in a normal fashion, Mr. and Mrs. Roloff have relied on their religion and understanding to create a haven of love for the boys.

Like other tots, they ride tricycles and bicycles; play games and associate with normal children. They have better than average IQs and most important of all — their parents have give them the right attitude.

Already, Mathew is aware he is abnormal. But his cheery disposition and understanding and acceptance makes it evident he is adjusting to his situation.

Ruthie, 8, the oldest child, has been a big help, relates a busy, but appreciative mother. "She's had to stand by and watch them get all the attention and then pitch in and help."

Ruthie, a straight A student, however, is mature enough to understand their "special" family.

Another big help has been neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Jeanette Lomas. They also have a son who is dwarfed and the two families constantly consult and console each other.

Their Big-Little World

—Independent photo

MOWER NENO WITH THE EASTS, CENTER, AND MARY JANE.

By NORMAN COLBY
Independent Staff Writer

Richmond's Neno Carlino, 50 years old, four feet-three inches, 120 pounds, has to work harder than most people to hold his job, raise his famigy and perform the everyday tasks of living.

That goes for his wife, Mary Jane, three feet-nine inches, their children and all members of the "Little Peiople of America."

Carlino, a metalsmith helper at Alameda Naval Air Station, says, "I had to prove my ability and willingness to work more than the average person to get a job. And we dwarfs usually stick to one job longer and are more dependable."

Carlino was a maintenance man for a Berkeley firm for 16 years before taking his present position.

The Carlino home at 5828 Santa Cruz Dr., looks like any other Richmond residential structiure—nejt, lived-in, with lawn closely clipped.

The tables, chairs and other fixtures do not belong to Tom Thumb's world, but are full-size.

This seems natural enough since two of the Carlino children, daughters Peggy, 17, and Judy, 14, are full-size, too.

—Independent photo

DAUGHTER JUDY TALKS, MOM COOKS.

The boys, Jackie, 11, and Anthony, 9, are "little people" like their parents. They jre learning to strive and achieve, as did their parents, in a world where you must look up to all strangers.

The house does have certain items which are not found elsewhere. Like two sturdy wooden boxes in the kitchen.

How else is Mrs. Carlino to reach the cooking on the range, set the table and use the cupboards?

To save time, she "walks" the wood boxes about the kitchen, instead of hopping on and off with every change of domestic task.

Still, the important kitchen items are located down low, and the superfluous items up high.

"And the girls help me reach things," says Mrs. Carlino, who owned and operated her own store in Klamath Falls, Ore., before she met her husband at a "Little People of America" national convention in Las Vegas.

"I won her at a crap table in Las Vegas. She was just the right size, so I decided to keep her," says Neno Carlino brusquely, with pride.

"I had to fight almost every day in school," says the father, who was born and raised in Berkeley, "and my boys have to look out for themselves, too."

"I know it's important to be understood in those younger years. My father was of average size, five feet eight inches, and so was my mother. He always treated me like a six footer, although I was the only little person among my four sisters.

"The boys are out for Little League. Sure, it's a long way to first base. They just have to hit the ball harder."

Getting the boys to Little League games is no problem, as it might appear.

Mother just hops behind the wheel of the full-size station wagon and away they go.

A dwarf driving a car looks normal from the outside, since his body and head are average size, and the shorter arms and legs are not visable.

Inside, are the metal extensions for the accelerator, brake and if necessary, the clutch.

Carlino makes them for his car, and also dwarf friends and others who write him for sun equipment.

"There is a woman in Minneapolis who wrote us. She wants the extensions to learn to drive. And she's only three feet two inches," he said.

There are other implements which Carlino makes for his famigy and others who request them.

A dwarf has a hard time reaching those boxes and cans high on the store display shelves. A telescoping metal shaft with hook on the end fits into the purse or pocket and is handy.

A dwarf has trouble putting coins in a public pay phone. Another extension device grips the coins.

A dwarf has trouble pushing buttons in an elevator. An extension device with rubber tip is sufficient.

While a dwarf has to adjust to this world, sometimes the worl is ready to adjust to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert East of Oakland are friends of the Carlinos and they get together during meetings of the San Francisco Bay Chapter of the Little Pieople of America.

Robert East is now chapter president, a post held by Carlino last year.

East works at a machine, and he stands on an elevated platform to perform his tasks.

Once, an official came around and complained about the safety of the platform, and the problems of employing a dwarf to run the machine.

"My boss said if it comes to that, they would make a hole in the floor and drop the machine into it," said East, a frequent visitor at the Carlino home.

"One of our little people chapter members died when seh was 83, and worked as a proff reader until she was 80. When she retired, they had to hire three people to do her job," remembers Carlino.

There are about 50 members of the Little People's San Francisco Bay Chapter, and most of them are working at ordinary jobs. Very few "Little People" anywhere are in circus or entertainment occupations, claims Carlino.

One problem concerns him. The local chapter has no persons of minority status.

"We welcome anybody of any color or creed, and we have heard of some black persgns in Oakland who could be members if we were able to contact them," he says.

There are chapter members who are married to persons of average size, and this is taken in stride by other members.

"If you are a little person or have parents or grandparents who are, then there is a good your children will be the same way," Carlino says.

"We have hejrd of a hormonye injection which may stimulate growth, but this works only for certain types of midgets. As for me, I'm happy just the AY I am."

Thd Carlino's are concerned about their children, though.

"Dwarfs are always considered a sort of novelty, at first. The boys take a lot of kidding, just as we did. I tell them to get all the education they can."

There will be another Little People' National Convention this year, in Minneapolis. Bob East is going. Neno Carlino is thinking about it.

And the wives are like all other wives. They want to go, too.

On November 1, 1968, our Peggy, while on a date, was in an automobile accident, which quickly took her life. We miss her very much, however we are thankful she was ours for those years. In her eighteen years, she met her challenges of life very well and we are proud of her. ☐ We want to share the following message as it was given at 8 p.m. Sunday, November 3, by the Reverend John Bryant, the Australian exchange minister for our Congregational Church in Sebastopol.

David, Laurel, Kevin, Matthew, and Bryan

Peggy Ann Stockton was one of God's Little People – She was given a little body, but there was nothing small about her spirit. Her bigness of spirit was larger than her physical presence; it could not be hid. It was a delight to be greeted with her beaming smile as she retired from worship. Thus did she greet me as recently as last Sunday. In the evening of that same day – precisely at this time – she was here in the happy company of fellow members of the Senior Pilgrim Fellowship. ☐ On the actual day of her tragic automobile accident Peggy received her current membership card of the "Little People of America, Inc.". Inscribed on the card were the words - THINK BIG. This our little friend did. Her thoughts were big - not big with the profundity of clever people, but focussed in the simple - big things that give meaningfulness to life. They were illumined by the beauty, the truth and the goodness she had come to see in the Christian Gospel. ☐ She had big thoughts of God. Her faith was like that of a little child - and what bigger concept could one have of God than that of Father. She believed in God as her Father. There were many things her young mind could not understand. She trusted God with the not understood things. She answered the questioning of others about her physical diminutiveness with the observation: "this is the body God gave me." She did not give way to petulance. To the knowledge of her parents, only once did she register being embarassed at the littleness of her body, but the mood was soon brushed aside by her inner assurance that all was well. Hers was a faith like that of a little child. She was childlike in her trust without being childish. ☐ The music of Peggy's soul was expressed in her devotion, first to the Band of Twin Hills School and, later, to the Analy High School Band. ☐ When contemplating her life's vocation she chose to be a teacher of little children in the nursery school or lower grades. ☐ It has been said that "all that the heavens can yield us of worth, is what we take into them out of this earth." Peggy has taken into the heaven of God's preparation the treasures of a simple faith, a big spirit and a love of people – much more than many of older years will be taking with them. ☐ We know that it is not of the will of God that one of his little ones should perish. Much sorrow has come to us all through a failure of human judgement. But we believe that that which is not God's will may be used as His instrument. ☐ Out of the circumstances of this time we who are left may come to a clearer understanding of

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the needs of others, and a warmer sensitivity of spirit, and be led to a fuller dedication of ourselves to making the world of God's Little People a better place in which to live.

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Dear friends,

We haven't forgotten you. We were just delayed in getting this ready for mailing.

Thank you for every little thing you've done. Your friendship meant much to Peggy and to us.

We would love to have a visit from you anytime you can manage it. We are close to Hwy. 116 - ph - 823-4295.

Sincerely,
David & Laurel Stockton

In loving Memory of Peggy

October 23, 1950 - November 1, 1968

1969

PRESIDENT: *Bob East*

VICE-PRESIDENT: *Harriet Stickney*

SECRETARY: *Carol Belknap*

TREASURER: *Mary Jane Carlino*

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: *Bob Bungan*

BANQUET: *Holiday Inn ~ Concord*

March 1st

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER: (Carol Belknap, reporter) On July 4th, 11 members of the SFBAC plus their relatives and friends devoted their holiday to helping put together over 900 copies of the National LPA HANDBOOK. At the National Convention, it was mentioned several times what a great job was done. AUGUST 17, CHABOT PARK, SAN LEANDRO 23 LPA members and 27 friends and relatives hadda great time picnicking. LINDA CASTILLA, age 10, is a GREAT baseball player. Besides baseball, eating, hiking, and horseshoes were a ls o enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kay attended their first LP picnic....CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MICHAEL PONZA FAMILY..Little Little GENO PONZA has a baby brother, ANTHONY EDWARD PONZA, born JULY 8, 1169. Also happy to report LITTLE LITTLE JOHN WELCH is doing well after surgery, AUGUST 28. How about sending him a cheery card for a 2year old? 5552 GOLDEN GATE AVE. OAKLAND, CA. 94618

**Harriet Stickney is 1969070 NATIONAL HANDBOOK CHAIRMAN. THE 2 Of us WILL be getting your copies to you..(69-70 paid members..) IT does take time..so do have patience..

SAN FRANCISCO REPORTING.. JACKIE EAST....

MARCH 1ST WAS ONE OF THE BIGGEST HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER. IT WAS THE TIME FOR THE ANNUAL INAUGURAL BANQUET FOR THE CHAPTER OFFICERS FOR THE NEXT YEAR. EACH OUTGOING AND INCOMING OFFICER GAVE A SHORT SPEECH. THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT, NENO CARLINO, ASKED DIFFERENT PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A TALK IN REGARDS TO L.P.A. ECT. INCOMING PRESIDENT, BOB EAST, ASKED EVERYONE TO BOW THEIR HEADS FOR A MOMENT OF SILIENT PRAYER IN REMEMBERANCE OF THOSE THAT HAVE LEFT THIS EARTH AND GONE ON WITH THE LORD.

THE BANQUET WAS HELD AT THE BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY INN IN CONCORD. THE CONCORD TRANSCRIPT SOCIAL EDITOR, DORA FRIEDRICH WAS THERE TO COVER THE MEETING. SHE WILL ALSO COVER THE CONEVTNION. A DELICIOUS MEAL WAS SERVED TO 35 PEOPLE AND BILLY BARTY, DISTRICT DIRECTOR, WAS PRESENT. AFTER DINNER THERE WAS DANCING AND ALL HAD A GOOD TIME.

THE CHAPTER HELD THEIR MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 7TH AND 18 PEOPLE AND SEVERAL FAMILIES WERE PRESENT. THE NEXT MEETING IS DUE MAY 2 BECAUSE OF THE DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Neno Carlino, San Francisco area Chapter President, reports that they are planning a full program for the District 12 Convention to be held at the beautiful Holiday Inn Motor Hotel in Concord, California. The rates are $10.00 Single person, $14.00 for two people, $17.00 for three people, and $20.00 for four people in a room. All rooms have colored T.V. sets. These prices do not include the meals. They held a meeting Jan. 26th in his home to make plans for the Convention. We will have a report on this later. Tentatively the general meetings will begin at 3 in the afternoon Saturday, could be earlier. Enclosed are reservation cards to be filled out and mailed. They are already addressed. There are no requests for down payments but Mr. Carlino said it would be a good idea to send it in. This is a good way to assure your reservation.

Cathy Samson, Secretary, reports that the Jan. Meeting was called to order by Neno Carlino at 8:20 with 10 Members present, including Frieda Groenveld visiting from District 11 and Evan Artran. The minutes of the last meeting was read and approved. Bob East gave Treasury report and correspondence was read by Mary Jane Carlino. Harriet Stickney discussed about the successful Christmas Party for the Little Littles on Dec. 15. There were about 30 people in attendance and all went well. We discussed about our District 12 Convention. As reported, there will be a meeting Jan. 26 to discuss plans.

March 1 they will have their Banquet at the Holiday Inn. Harriet Stickney moved that they have the Happy hour from 7 to 8 p.m. and dinner at 8. There will be elections for New Officers at the Feb. Meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Williams will have charge of the refreshments for our Feb. Meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Reviewing some of the past information sent in by Jackie East, Harriet Stickney, and Cathy Samson. Christmas Party: Gifts distributed to all children. Movies shown. Committee for party were Mrs. Neno Carlino, Mrs. Bob East, and Mrs. Ron Roloff. Welcomed the Ponza Family and Geno who is 11. Valentine Party planned for Feb. To be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roloff, big parents of Littles Mathew and Sam. Bob Burgan invited group to his Church Christmas program. Bob East suggested a Round Table Discussion of Little People History.

Among honored guests at the installation dinner was Billy Barty, of Los Angeles, right, television personality and founder of the San Francisco-Bay Area Chapter of Little People of America, who discussed with the new president the group's forthcoming two-day April convention to be held at Holiday Inn in Concord.

Think Big..

"Think Big" is their motto and think big they do—the "Little People" (dwarfed who met at Holiday Inn in Concord for their annual installation of officers. Neno Carlino of Richmond, left outgoing president, congratulated incoming president Bob East of Oakland and his new staff—Mrs. A.F. Stickney, vice-president; Mrs. W. Balknap, secretary, and Mrs. Carlino, treasurer.

—Transcript photos by Bob Bromar

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Harry Lomas of Concord chatted during dinner festivities with three "Little Littles" (as the younger dwarfed people are called)—17-year-old RoseAnn Colla of San Lorenzo, left, 19-year-old Betti Logomarsino of San Leandro, and 16-year-old Jim Lomas of Concord.

They've Conquered Distance Between Their Ears!

By DORA FRIEDRICH

Their motto is "Think Big" — and think big they do!

What the "Little People" lack in stature, they more than make up for in personality! This was our conclusion after we spent a thoroughly delightful evening with about 50 members of the San Francisco - Bay Area Chapter of Little People (dwarfed) who gathered Saturday evening at Holiday Inn in Concord for a gala installation dinner and dance.

They were friendly and outgoing, and put us at ease immediately, even though we had entertained a few thoughts about being a little self-conscious about our own height. One of average height tends to forget, we found after the first few minutes, that the Little People are of an average 48 inches tall — give or take a few inches.

One of the shortest of the Little People present at Saturday's festivities was Billy Barty of Los Angeles, founder of the Bay Area Chapter and now district director for the Little People of California, Nevada and Hawaii.

Billy, three foot, eight inches tall, has distinguished himself as an entertainer. He has his own highly popular children's television show out of Los Angeles, and has made many guest appearances with network stars, the most recent on the Smothers Brothers and the Red Skelton shows.

Installed as president during the informal rites was Bob East of Oakland, who was reared and attended school in the Pittsburg area, and is now considered one of the top machinists for Allies Machines in Alameda.

Neno Carlino, the Chapter's outgoing president, is a federal government employee at Naval Air Supplies in Alameda, where he solders silver. Like her husband, Mrs. Carlino, the newly-installed treasurer, is dwarfed. She was a storekeeper in Oregon before she met her husband at a convention of Little People in Las Vegas, where, Neno smiles, he won "first prize." Neno has five brothers and a sister, all average; Mrs. Carlino has four sisters, also all average.

Rounding out the family circle at the Carnos' Richmond home are their two teenage daughters, both of average height — Peggy, 17, and Judy, 15; and two dwarfed sons — Jack, 11, and Anthony, 9 years of age. Mrs. Carlino keeps busy as a homemaker and sales representative for a cosmetic firm.

We asked Mrs. Carlino if medical science had discovered the reason why one child in a family should be born dwarfed, another average.

"No one knows why as yet," she told us, "but research is going on constantly to try and find the explanation."

Mrs. A.F. Stickney of San Bruno, the incoming vice-president, is a homemaker and former teacher from Wisconsin who met her husband, also dwarfed, at a Little People's party "at the Carlinos' backyard." Mrs. Stickney is also northern California chairman and advisor to the average parents of the "Little - Littles," as the younger people are called.

Completing the new officer roster for the Chapter is Mrs. W.L. Belknap of Hayward, who assumed secretarial duties from Cathy Simpson of San Francisco, an attractive young brunette who met her good-looking fiance at a district meeting.

Others enjoying the installation dinner included several teen-agers — 16-year-old Jim Lomas of Concord, there with his average father, Harry; Roseann Colla of San Lorenzo, Betty Logomarsino of San Leandro, and a pretty teenager from Santa Rose area (whose name we didn't learn) there with her average parents.

Like the adult Little People, the teenagers enjoy regular meetings and a variety of social events such as bowling, dancing and picnics.

Two pretty young blonde matrons, both dwarfed, were seated side by side with their husbands ... and at first we were sure that we were seeing double until we learned that they were mirror twins. Darlene is married to a personable average man, Carl McGregor, and they are expecting a new arrival at their Alameda home in May. Dorlene's dwarfed husband, Kenneth, has a sense of humor that endears him immediately to everyone who meets him.

Our biggest distance to conquer is the distance between our ears," Neno Carlino told us during a moment of serious conversation. 'Where there is a will there is a way' — and we have found our way in a world of average size people with the help of our organization and its affiliate groups."

"How do you like us?" he asked us as we departed.

"You are absolutely great," was our reply. And we sincerely meant it.

And they must have liked us too — or at least they are partial to Concord. For the Little People will converge here again soon — this time in April, again at Holiday Inn, for a two-day district meeting filled with business and fun sessions, luncheons and banquets, and all kinds of discussion about "thinking big."

Parley plans have already begun, and this past weekend the Easts and the Carlinos came back to Concord to discuss the parley with Mayor Warren Boggess.

A cordial invitation is extended by the new president, Mr. East, to dwarfed adults to participate in Chapter activities, which include a regular business meeting the first Friday evening of each month at American Savings and Loan Building in San Leandro.

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DISTRICT 12 CONVENTION IN CONCORD HUGE SUCCESS

THE DISTRICT 12 CONVENMION HELD IN CONCORD CALIFORNIA WAS A GREAT SUCCESS AND 72 PEOPLE ENJOYED THEMSELVES AT THE BANQUET. HOSTED BY THE SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER, NENO CARLINO, CONVENTION CHAIRMAN, CAN SALUTE HIS AREA AND ALL THE PEOPLE INVOLVED.

THE FESTIVITIES GOT UNDER WAY FRIDAY NIGHT WHEN 30 PEOPLE HAD ALREADY ARRIVED. DISTRICT DIRECTOR BILLY BARTY HOSTED A PARTY IN HIS ROOM AND THE FUN REALLY STARTED. THE ENTERTAINMENT NEVER DID STOP FROM THE OEPNING GREETINGS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO AREA TO THE CLOSING GOODBYES.

SWIMMING,DANCING, BINGO, AND THE BANQUET HIGHLIGHTED THE ENTERTAINMENT AND THE BUSINESS OF THE DAY PROVED TO BE INFORMATIVE.

AL STICKNEY VOTED IN AS NEW DISTRICT 12 DIRECTOR,SHIRLEY BERG, V.P.

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AL STICKNEY WAS VOTED IN AS THE NEW DISTRICT 12 DIRECTOR. MR. STICKNEY HAS SERVED AS AN OFFICER FOR THE DISTRICT AND HAS BEEN A MEMBER AND ACTIVE FOR MANY YEARS. HE WILL APPOINT HIS OWN SECERETARIES AND DISTRICT 12 CONGRATULATES THE STICKNEYS. HIS WIFE, HARRIET, SERVES AS NORTHERN COORDINATORS FOR BOTH THE STATE AND PARENTS AUX. GROUP. SHIRLEY BERG WAS VOTED IN AS VICE PRESIDENT. SHE HAS SERVED AS DISTRICT 11 DIRECTOR, AND IS CURRENTLY SECRETARY FOR THE LOS ANGELES AREA. SHE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF L.P.A. FOR MANY YEARS. MRS. JACKIE EAST WAS VOTED IN UNAMINOUSLY AS THE TREASURER, RUNNING UNOPPOSED. MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE LECTIONS IN THE REPORTS OF THE BUSINESS MEETINGS.

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PARENTS,L.P.A. DISCUSSIONS OFFER INFORMATION TO ALL MEMBERS

MRS. HARRIET STICKNEY CONDUCTED THE PARENTS AUXILLARY MEETING WITH MR. MEL COHEN, GROWTH HORMONE REPRESENTATIVE, ACTING AS GUEST SPEAKER. HE TALKED ABOUT THE GROWTH HORMONE GROUP AND THE FACT THEY ARE REACHING OUT INTO VARIOUS FIELDS CONCERNING LITTLE PEOPLE AND PEOPLE OF SMALL STAUTRE. MR. TOM WELCH ACTED AS CHAIRMAN. CHRISTI BAUSCH, M.D. FROM THE MT. ZION HOSPITAL ENLIGHTENED THE MEMBERS ON THE WORK SHE IS DOING. A MORE COMPLETE REPORT ON THIS MEETING WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

WILLIAMS, BETTY STEWART, BUBBLES, BARTY,LIPSKEY,BURGAN, AND BANQUET. HARRIET STICKNEY AND CAROLYN STRANGE

THE BANQUET WAS ATTENDED BY 72 PEOPLE AND EVERYONE THOUROUGHLY ENJOYED THE FOOD,ENTERTAINMENT, AND DANCING. THE FOOD MELTED IN YOUR MOUTH AND AFTER DINNER MRS. BETTY STEWART EMCEED A SHOW THAT FEATURED KENNY WILLIAMS AND HIS WIFE, DORENE, IN A PANTOMINE NUMBER. ALL THE ABOVE MENTIONED ENTERTAINED AND THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENING WAS THE SEXY DANCING OF BUBBLES WHO TURNED OUT TO BE MR. KENNY WILLIAMS. MINNIE SCHULTZ WAS ON HAND TO TALK ABOUT L.P.A. AFTER THE SHOW THE PEOPLE ENJOYED DANCING TO THE STARLIGHT DREAMERS. FOUR ACCORDIANS AND DRUMS OF WHICH LL MEMBER LINDA COSTILLA'S SISTER PLAYED IN THE BAND.

BOB BURGAN AND MIKE LIPSKEY TOOK TURNS ON THE DRUMS AND BOTH PROVED THEIR TALENTS. CAROLYN STRANGE DELIGHTED THE AUDIENCE WITH HER SINGING OF MORE, AND THE PEOPLE WANTED MORE. DURING THE EVEING RAFFLE TICKETS WERE DRWAN FOR PRIZES AND WOULD YOU BELIEVE EMORY SOUZA WON SIX PRIZES. THE BANQUET HALL WAS VERY NICE AND WE HAD OUR OWN PRIVATE REFRESHMENT STAND. THE MAYOR OF CONCORD, MR. WARREN BOGGESS ADDRESSED THE GROUP AT THEIR MORNING MEETING AND ENJOYED THE L.P.A. COMPANY SO MUCH THAT HE AND HIS WIFE RETURNED FROM HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN IN ON THE FESTIVITIES.

LITTLE BITS ABOUT THIS AND THAT,.....

THE MITCHELLS, ADOPTED LL LELA DELORIS.. MRS. JEANIE AUSTIN AND MRS. GEORIA GUILD RECOVERING FROM OPERATIONS. S.F. AREA JUNE 7TH PARENTS AUX. PICNIC COMING. CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. AND MRS. BILL DOWD, THE MRS. IS THE FORMER MARY WHITE, MOTHER OF ALANN. MAY 17, SHIRLEY LESCHANDER BECOMES MRS. MICKEY ROSENBERG. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AND PROSPECTS MARIE ORTEGA(17), BOB GERICH(4YRS) JOAN CECIL (15). L.A. ROLLER SKATING PARTY ATTENDED BY 33 PEOPLE. BIG TIME AND FUN HAD BY ALL. L.A. MEETING FOR ALL TO ATTEND EVEING OF THE 17TH.

APRIL 19TH, 1969..GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING@ 9:40 AM.
HOLIDAY INN, CONCORD ,CALIFORNIA.....

NENO CARLINO, CONVENTION CHAIRMAN, OPENED THE DISTRICT 12 SPRING CONVENTION. HE AS ACTING AS HOST PN BEHALF OF THE BAY AREA. HE INTRODUCED HIMSELF, AND WELCOMED THE GROUP ATTENDING. PRAYER FROM PAT MURRAY'S ORIGINALS WAS USED FOR INVOCATION AND THIS WAS SAID BY MRS. AL STICKNEY. A MOMENT OF SILIENCE FOLLOWED FOR DEPARTED MEMBERS WHO PASSED AWAY THI PAST YEAR. THEY WERE; LOLA COX, ANNA DIXON, HARVEY WILLIAMS, PEGGY STOCKTON, AND FULVIO PARENTI, THE MAYOR OF CONCORD, MR. WARREN N. BOGGESS, WAS INTRODUCED AND HE WELCOMED THE L.P.A. PEOPLE TO CONCORD, AND THEN EXCUSED HIMSLEF AS HE HAD TO LEAVE FOR ANOTHER MEETING. HE AND HIS WIFE WILL BE ATTENDING THE BANQUET THIS EVEING.

BILLY BARTY WAS THEN INTRODUCED. MR. BARTY MENTIONED THIS WAS OUR 7TH DISTRICT CONVENTION AND WELCOMED THE GROUP. HE COMPLIMENTED THE BAY AREA FOR THE PRINTED PROGRAM GIVEN TO EACH ONE REGISTERED, AND THANKED THEM FOR H STING THE CONVENTION. HE WENT OVER THE PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY AND THE MORROW. HE SUGGESTED THAT FOLLOWING THE MRONING ELECTIONS THE OLD AND NEW OFFICERS GET TOGETHER. MR. BARTY INTRODUCED THE PRESENT OFFICERS..FELIX SILLA, VICE PRESIDENT AND PRESENT; MRS. VIRGINA MYERS, SECRETARY AND ABSENT; RALPH PETTY,TREASURER, PRESENT; OTTO BOHMAN, L.A. AREA PRESIDENT AND PRESENT, BOB EAST, S.F. CHAPTER PRESIDENT AND PRESENT. OTHER CHAIRMAN LISTED ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE MAILING LIST WHICH WAS DISTRIBUTED AT THIS MEETING. THANKS WENT TO LINDA SOUZA FOR HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO DISTRICT 12 AND TO DOROTHY HENDERSON WHO IS ON THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

SHIRLEY BERG, ACTING AS SECRETARY IN MRS. MYERS ABSENCE, READ THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING FROM LAS VEGAS. A MOTION WAS MADE THAT DO TO THE FACT THE MINUTES WERE PRINTED FOR THE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE THAT WE DISPENCE WITH THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES. HARRIET STICKNEY MADE THIS MOTION, IT WAS SECONDED BY LINDA SOUZA, CALL FOR THE QUESTION BY MRS. NENO CARLINO, AND MOTION PASSED.
RALPH PETTY READ THE TREASURERS REPORT. COMMENT WAS MADE THAT THE BALANCE WOW IS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AS WHEN THE BOOKS WERE TAKEN OVER, AND JUST A LITTLE LESS. THERE WAS DISCUSSION ON MONEY FROM THE HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION, MAINLY THAT WHICH WENT TO THE NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND. THE DISTRICT TREASURER HAS $527.00 AND THERE IS APPROXIMATELY $378.00 IN THE DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP FUND. THE SCHOLARSHIP IS A SEPARATER ACCOUNTING. DEBBIE DIXON HAS RECIEVED $200.00 FROM THIS FUND. THE DISTRICT 12 SCHOLARSHIP MONEY HAS BEEN TRANSFERED FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE TO CALIFORNIA AS REQUESTED FROM THE LAS VEGAS MEETING IN ORDER TO RECEIVED A BIGGER INTEREST RATE. HARRIET STICKNEY REPORTED THAT THE NATIONAL NEEDS TO CHANGE TACTICS ON SCHOLARSHIP MONEY AVAILABE. PEOPLE APPARENTL AREN'T AWARE OF ITS AVAILABILITY, AND THEY SHOULD KNOW. EMORY SOUZA QUESTIONED IF NATIONAL COULD HAVE MATCHED AMOUNT GIVEN TO DEBBIE DIXON. NATIONAL WAS NOT APPROACHED. IT WAS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIP. BE ACCEPTED BY A SCHOOL.. ANY KIND..ANY TYPE FO TRAINING..RECIEVED BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL.
MR. BARTY STATED THAT THE DISTRCIT 12 DID OPERATE AT ONE TIME ON A 60-40 BASIS. MUCH GOES TO THE NATIONAL AND THIS LEAVES DISTRICT LITTLE TO OPERATE. IT WAS QUESTIONED WHY L.A. NEVER BECAME A CHAPTER. MR. OTTO BOHMANN STATED THE CONSTITUION IS FILED AND THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING FROM THE NATUONAL . THERE WAS A SHORT DISCUSSION ON ALL THE MONEY NATIONAL HAS TO OPERATE ON AND DOES IT GO FOR NATIONAL EXPENSES FOR CONVENTION. MR. BARTY STATED THAT ONLY IF THE PARTY HAVING THE CONVENTION GOES INTO THE WHOLE COULD THIS OCCUR. HE STATED THAT DISTRICTS SHOULD BE AWARDED ON A FIFTY FIFTY BASIS OF THE PROFITS IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE MORE BIDS FOR NATIOBAL CONVENTIONS. ALL THIS RULES ARE UNWRITTEN. HE HOPED TO BRING THIS 50-50 PROJECT UP TO THE NATIONAL BOARD.

DISTRICT 12 HAS APPROXIMATELY 197 MEMBERS; WHICH INCLUDE ALL CATAGORIES SUCH AS LL,FAMILIES, REGULARS, ECT. DISTRICT 12 SENDS OUT 118 NEWSLETTERS OR RECIEVES THAT MANY FROM THE NATIONAL. IT WAS ASKED WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT SO MUCH OF THE DUES MONEY GOING TO THE NATIONAL? MR. BARTY STATED A CHANGE CAN COME ABOUT ONLY IF THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION WAS CHANGED. MR. BARTY STATED HE HAS WRITTEN A PROPOSAL TO MR. CHARLES BEDOW FOR THE NEXT CONVENTION. HE HAS ALSO WRITTEN TO CHARLES BEDOW, NATIONAL, PRESIDENT, ABOUT PEOPLE WHO DON'T OR CAN'T ATTEND THE NATIONAL CONVENTION. HE FEELS THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO VOTE FOR NATIONAL OFFICERS.

EMPLOYMENT DISCUSSION: MR. BARTY INFORMED THE GROUP THAT DR. GENE FELTON IS HEAD CHAIRMAN OF THE L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT FOR THE' PHYSICAL LIMITATION.THREE LITTLE PEOPLE WENT RECENTLY FOR CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS. COUNSELLORS DO NOT ALWAYS HAVE THE RIGHT ANSWER IN REGARDS TO LITTLE PEOPLE.(NOTE: ONE OF THE THREE WAS HIRED). DR. FELTON IS ON L.P.A. SIDE, PLUS STATE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT. IT WAS ASKED WHERE THE SAN FRAMCISCO LITTLE PEOPLE SHOULD GO FOR HELP. MR. BARTY STATED THAT THE PEOPLE SHOULD LET HIM KNOW OR THE CHAPTER PRESIDENTS IF ANYONE HAS TROUBLE WITH CIVIL SERVICE OR COUNSELLORS.

APRIL 19, 1969

A DISTRICT 12 MAILING LIST WAS DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE ATTENDING. A FRIEND OF THE BARTY'S, MRS. KATHY ANDERSON TYPED UP 15 STENCILS FOR THIS PROJECT. THERE ARE CORRECTIONS,CLARIFICATIONS, AND ADDITIONS AND POSSIBLY OMMISSIONS AND THESE SHOULD BE SENT TO BILLY BARTY OR THEY WILL REMAIN AS IS ON THE LIST. THIS INTURN WILL BE PLACED ON ANOTHER LIST.

BILLY BARTY SAID IT IS TIME FOR NOMINATION FOR NEW OFFICERS. HE READ THE QUALIFICATIONS FROM THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION. THE MEETING WAS OPENED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR DISTRICT DIRECTOR. RAYLENE JOHNS NOMINATED NENO CARLINO, WHO DECLINED. KENNY WILLIAMS NOMINATED AL STICKNEY. (MRS. STICKNEY WILL CARRY THE NEWS TO HIM AS HE WAS NOT PRESENT) HIS LETTER OF INTENTION TO RUN FOR AN OFFICE WAS RECIEVED. CAROLYN STRANGE NOMINATED HARRIET STICKNEY WHO DECLINED. CAROL BELKNAP NOMINATED BOB EAST WHO DECLINED. JACKIE EAST NOMINATED OTTO BOHMANN WHO DECLINED. BETTY STEWRRT THEN NOMINATED EMORY SOUZA. MRS. STICKNEY MADE A MOTION CONCERNING THE VICE PRESIDENCY, THAT THE ONE WHO DOES NOT WIN THE DIRECTORSHIP, BECOMES VICE PRESIDENT. LINDA SOUZA SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED. IF MORE THEN TWO WERE NOMINATED,HIGHEST NEXT IN RUNNING WOULD BE V.P.
NOMINATIONS WERE OPEN FOR SECRETARY. NENO CARLINO NOMINATED LINDA SOUZA WHO DECLINED, AND MARY JANE CARLINO NOMINATED CATHY SAMSON WHO DECLINED. BILLY BARTY ASKED TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION THAT THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR APPOINT HIS OWN SECRETARY. OTTO BOHMANN MADE THE MTOION AND IT WAS SECONDED BY NENO CARLINO. MOTION CARRIED. NOMINATIONS WERE OPEN FOR TREASURER. MARY JANE CARLINO NOMINATED JACKIE EAST. FELIX SILLA NOMINATED RALPH PETTY, WHO DECLINED. LINDA SOUZA NOMINATED FELIX SILLA WHO DECLINED. NOMINATIONS CAN BE RE-OPENDED TOMORROW. NENO CARLINO MADE A MOTION THAT THE NOMINATIONS BE CLOSED WITH ALL NOMINATIONS BEING REOPEND TOMORROW. MICKEY ROSENBERG SECONDED THE MTOION AND IT WAS PASSED. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED UNAMINOUSLY.

APRIL 20TH, 1969--GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING @ 8:45 AM. HOLIDAY INN, CONCORD, CALIFORNIA.

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DISTRICT DIRECTOR BILLY BARTY OPENED THE MEETING. HE REQUESTED A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FROM THE GROUP FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION AND BANQUET. THE BAY AREA DID A WONDERFUL JOB.

MOTION HAS TO BE IN ORDER FOR APPROVAL OF YESTERDAYS MINUTES. HARRIET STICKNEY MOVE THAT THE MINUTES BE APPROVED AS READ OR PRINTED. TOMMY HENDERSON SECONDED THE MOTION. MARY JANE CARLINO CALLED FOR THE QUESTION. MOTION PASSED. A MOTION WAS MADE BY JACKIE EAST THAT THE TREASURERS REPORT BE APPROVED AS READ. FELIX SILLA SECONDED. MARY JANE CARLINO CALLED FOR THE QUESTION. MOTION PASSED.

FROM PAST REPORTS AND HAPPENINGS BILLY BARTY QUESTIONED THE HUMAN GROWTH, INC. HE SAID THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER OF HUMAN GROWTH WAS NOT INTERESTED IN COOPERATING AWHILE BACK AND QUESTIONED THEIR SINCEREITY. HARRIET STICKNEY SAID THAT MR. COHEN WANTS OUR UNDERSTANDING, NOT OUR MONEY. WE JUST HEARD THEM OUT SHE SAID AND NO DEMANDS WERE MADE OR ARE WE OBLIGATED. BILLY BARTY THEN SAID THAT HE HOPES IT BENEFITS BOTH ORGANIZATIONS. IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT DR. CHRISTI BAUSCH WILL BE HERE AT 10:00 AM AND WANTS SALIVA TEST ESPECIALLY FROM THE L.A. PEOPLE. SHE CAN DO TESTING ON LOCAL PEOPLE LATER.

BOB EAST STATED THAT HE WILL TAKE A GROUP PICT RE FOLLOWING MEETING.

BILLY BARTY STATED THAT A SCRAPBOOK OF PICTURES,APPLICATIONS, BIOGS IS BEING COMPILED WHICH SUE SILLA WAS WORKING ON. IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT IN A BIOG OR PICTURE PLEASE DO SO ALONG WITH AN INFORMATION SHEET ABOUT YOURSELF NEXT TIME DUES ARE IN ORDER. BOBBIE OWEN, HISTROIAN, WILL PRESENTLY HANDLE THE JOB. BILLY BARTY SAID HE WILL BE SETTING UP SOME NEW APPOINTMENTS FOLLOWING THE CONVENTION. GIVE VARIOUS PEOPLE 15 OR 20 NAMES ON THE MAILING LIST SO MEMBERS FROM VARIOUS AREAS CAN ENCOURAGE OTHER MEMBERS AND MAKE THEM FEEL A PART OF L.P.A. THIS WILL 'ERHAPS GET NEW ACTIVE MEMBERS, AND ACT AS A SCREENING, BY GETTING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL ELIGIBLES. FORM LETTER WILL BE USED IN INTRODUCING YOURSELF.
WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN L.P.A. MEMBER, HEIGHTH WISE? SEE ARTICLE 5 OF THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A CONSTITUTION LET BILLY BARTY KNOW. A FULL LENGTH PHOTO GOOD TO SEND ALONG BUT CAN'T ALWAYS DETERMINE FROM PICTURE, BUT IT HELPS.

APRIL, 19, 1969

TO LITTLE PEOPLE(NOTE: ONE OF THE THREE WAS HIRED) DR. FELTON WISHES TO HELP L.P.A. , PLUS STATE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT. IT WAS ASKED WHERE SHOULD SAN FRANCISCO LITTLE PEOPLE GO FOR HELP? MR. BARTY STATED THAT THEY SHOULD LET HIM KNOW OR THE CHAPTER PRESIDENTS IF ANYONE HAS DIFFICULTY IN SEEKING EMPLOYMENT. HELP IS AVAILABLE AT VOCATION AND REHABILITATION. BE SURE TO LET THE DISTRICT KNOW OF YOUR PROBLEMS. WE CAN'T HELP ANYONE IF WE DON'T KNOW OF ANY PROBLEMS.

CHAPTER-AREA REPORTS:

BOB EAST, SAN FRNACISCO AREA SAYS THERE IS 100% DUES RENEWAL IN THEIR BAY AREA CHAPTER NOW. THERE IS A GOODLY AMOUNT OF BRAND NEW MEMBERS. ACTIVITIES RUN HIGH AND SOON WILL HAVE A PICNIC. MR. EAST FEELS THE CHAPTER IS ACTIVE WITH REAL INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM SHOW. MR. BARTY COMMEDED MRS. BETTY STEWART AND HER HUSBAND FOR A WONDERFUL CONVENTION PROGRAM PUBLISHED.

OTTO BOHMANN, L.A. AREA PRESIDENT, ANNOUNCED AHROLLER SKATING PARTY IS SET FOR MAY 4TH, BUSCH GARDENS IN JUNE, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE SET FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS: LINDA SOUZA SAID SHE HAD REQUESTED THAT RESTRICTIONS BE TAKEN OFF HER DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND THEY COMPLIED TO HER REQUEST. IT WAS SAID THAT IT IS A STATE LAW IN CALIFORNIA THAT IF YOU HAVE ANY WRITTEN RESTRICTIONS ON YOUR LICENSE, YOU HAVE TO TAKE THE DRIVERS TEST OVER WHEN THE LICENSE EXPIRES, BUT SOME PRESENT DIDN'T HAVE TO DO THIS. WE NEED MORE INFORMATION ON THIS AND IT WILL BE LOOKED INTO WITH THE STATE. BILLY BARTY ANNOUNCED ABOUT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION AND ENCOURAGED MEMBERS TO ATTEND. THE DATES ARE JULY 28TH THROUGH AUGUST 1.

IT WAS BROUGHT UP THAT SEVERAL MEMBERS HAD RECIEVED REQUESTS FROM THE JOHNS HOPKINS HOSPITAL IN BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, FOR FINANCIAL DONATIONS. MR. BARTY SAID THEY WILL DISCUSS THIS LATER AS THE MEETING WAS TEMPORAY ADJOURNED WHILE HE AND NENO CARLINO LEFT THE ROOM FOR A SESSION WITH T.V. AND RADIO REPORTERS.
THE MEETING CONTINUED AFTER THE INTERVIEW AND TWO NEW MEMBERS WERE GREETED FOR ATTENDING THEIR FIRST CONVENTION. THEY WERE MARY PELKINGTON FROM HAYWARD, CALIF., AND MRS. BETTY STEWART. THE JOHNS HOPKINS DICUSSION CONTINUED. LINDA SOUZA QUESTIONED WHY DONATE FUNDS WHEN WE'RE DONATING OURSELVES. MRS. CARL BELKNAP SUGGESTED INSTEAD OF INDIVIDUALS DONATING THAT PERHAPS THE NATIONAL SHOULD DONATE. MR. BARTY COMMENTED THAT SEVERAL DISTRICTS HAVE ALREADY DONATED. OTTO BOHMANN MADE A MOTION THAT WE WRITE TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE AND SUGGEST THAT THEY MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO JOHNS HOPKINS. LINDA SOUZA SECONDED THE MOTION. IT WAS OPEN FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION. MR. BARTY COMMENTED JOHN HOPKINS HAS GIVEN MEDICAL AID TO GEORGE MOORE, FULVIO PARENTI AND THE HOSPITAL HAS DONE MUCH FOR US. TOMMY HENDERSON SAYS TESTING, TESTING, TESTING, MAYBE THEY CAN FIND A WAY TO CORRECT OUR COMMON PROBLEMS SO TESTS AREN'T REALLY SO BAD. MR. BARTY MENTIONED THAT IT COST J.H. ABOUT $3,000.00 PER PERSON FOR 19 L.P.A. MEMBERS UNDER EXAMINATION BEFORE THE BALTIMORE CONVENTION LAST YEAR. CAROLYN STRANGE RECOMMENDS THAT AS A DISTRICT WE HELP SUPPORT THIS CAUSE, IT'S NON'PROFIT ORGANIZATION. KENNY WILLIAMS SAID THAT HE DIDN'T FEEL THAT THE TREASURERY CAN STAND TOO MANY DONATIONS. BILLY BARTY FELT THAT OUR MONEY WOULD CREATE A GOOD WILL FEELING. HE SUGGESTED THAT 50% OF THE RAFFLE MONEY AND ALL OF REGISTRATION MONEY COULD BE DONATED? IT WAS A SUGGESTION. HARRIET STICKNEY SAID THAT EXPENSES SHOULD BE TAKEN OUT FIRST. MR. BARTY SUGGESTED TO TABLE THE MATTER. GROUP SAID MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED AND TO CONTINUE WITH MOTION. FELIX SILLA FELT INFORMATION ON TESTS SENT BACK AFTER EXAMINATIONS AT J.H. WAS VERY LITTLE. BILLY BARTY SAID HIS INFORMATION WAS REQUESTED TO BE SENT TO HIS DOCTOR AND THE INFORMATION WAS RATHER COMPLETE. THIS INFORMATION IS ONLY EXCHANGED BETWEEN DOCTORS. THE MOTION CARRIED THAT WE WRITE LETTER TO THE NATIONAL.

HARRIET STICKNEY WAS INTRODUCED AS NORTHERN COORDINATOR OF THE PARENTS AUXILLIARY. SHE SAID THE AFTERNOON SESSION WOULD HAVE A SPEAKER FROM HUMAN GROWTH, INC. , AND THE SPEAKER ARE PARENTS OF TWO LITTLE LITTLES. JUNE 7TH WILL BE PARENTS AUX. PICNIC IN SOQUEL, CALIF. MRS. STICKNEY SAID THE NATIONAL HANDBOOK IS SUPPOSE TO BE IN THE HANDS OF L.P.A. MEMBERS BY THIS COMING CONVENTION. MR. BARTY SAID THEY ARE HAVING PATRONS ADS FOR THE HANDBOOK. MR. BARTY STATED HE WAS NOT IN FAVOR OF THE PATRONS AD AS THEY DO NOT ADD DIGNITY TO SUCH AN IMPORTANT BOOK. HE HAS WRITTEN TO CHARLES BEDOW SUGGESTING WE SELL THE BOOK TO LIBRARIES IN ORDER TO RAISE MONEY. HE COULD FORSEE QUITE A BIT OF MONEY COMING IN WITH SO MANY LIBRAIES THROUGH OUT THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 20, 1969

HARRIET STICKNEY STATED THAT SHE MADE AN UNDEMOCRATIC MOTION YESTERDAY, IN STATING THAT THE TWO CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR DISTRICT DIRECTOR THE NEXT IN LINE WOULD BE VICE'DIRECTOR. MOTION WAS BROUGHT BACK THAT WAS MADE YESTERDAY: THAT ONE INWHICH THE PERSON WHO DOES NOT GET THE DIRECTORSHIP WILL BE THE VICE PRESIDENT. HARRIET STICKNEY MADE THE MOTION YESTERDAY, LINDA SOUZA SECONDED. NEW MTOION IF YOU WANT THE VICE-PRESIDENCY POSITION OPEN TO SEVERAL PEOPLE, VOTE NO, IF YOU WANT THE MOTION TO REMAIN AS IS VOTE YES. VOTE WAS NO AND NOMINATIONS WERE STILL OPENED. MICKEY ROSENBERG NOMINATED NENO CARLINO, WHO DECLINED. AT THIS POINT, SUE SILLA ASKED IF SOMEONE NOT PRESENT COULD BE NOMINATED? THEY COULD NOT BECAUSE HOW WOULD YOU FIND OUT IF THEY DECLINED. BILLY BARTY STATED THIS WAS THE IDEA BEHIND THOSE LETTERS OF INTENT. KENNY WILLIAMS MOVED THAT THE NOMINATIONS BE CLOSED. BETTY STEWART SECOND THE MOTION. MOTION'ASSED. MR. BARTY REQUESTED THAT BIG PARENTS MR. AND MRS. TOM SHEPHERD COUNT THE VOTES. MARY JANE CARLINO PASSED OUT THE BALLOTS. AL STICKNEY RECEIVED THE CHAIRMANSHIP.
NOMINATIONS WERE OPEN FOR VICE-CHAIRMAN: MICKEY ROSENBERG NOMINATED NENO CARLINO;SUE SILLA NOMINATED EMORY SOUZA;(AND AT THIS TIME SUGGESTED THAT THERE BE A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN); OTTO BOHMANN NOMINATED RALPH PETTY WHO DECLINED; MRS. OTTO BOHMANN NOMINATED MAURICE ALDEN. HARRIET STICKNEY COMMENTED THAT IT WOULD BE BEST IF THE VICE PRESIDENT WAS FROM ANOTHER AREA. NENO CARLINO DECLINED AT THIS POINT. RALPH PETTY NOMINATED ART DOTY. WHO DECLINED. KATHY SAMSON NOMINATED SUE SILLA WHO DECLINED. SHIRLEY LESCHANDER NOMINATED SHIRLEY BERG. KENNY WILLIAMS MOVED THAT THE NOMINATIONS BE CLOSED. NENO CARLINO SECONDED. MARY JANE CARLINO CALLED FOR THE QUESTION. MOTION PASSED. VOTING ENDED IN A RUN OFF BETWEEN EMORY SOUZA AND SHIRLEY BERG. SECOND VOTE MADE SHIRLEY BERG V.P.

NOMINATIONS WERE OPENED AGAIN FOR TREASURER. JACKIE EAST WAS ALREADY NOMINATED. CATHY SAMSON NOMINATED MAURICE ALDEN, WHO DECLINED. BETTY STEWART NOMINATED RAYLENE JOHNS, BUT SHE DECLINED. JUANIT COLLA NOMINATED HARRIET STICKNEY, WHO DECLINED. HARRIET STICKNEY MOVED THAT WE CAST A UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR JACKIE EAST AS TREASURUER. IT WAS SECONDED AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

IN COMING DIRECTOR AL STICKNEY WAS REQUESTED TO TALK AND HE THANKED THE GROUP FOR HAVING CONFIDENCE IN HIM. MR. STICKNEY ASKED FOR A STANDING OVATION FOR THE OUTGOING OFFICERS. BILLY BARTY SUGGESTED AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION WHICH CONTRADICTS AT TIMES OR THINGS ARE NOT CLEAR ENOUGH. HE REQUESTED THAT DISTRICTS AS WELL AS CHAPTERS HAVE CONSTITUTIONS TO HAVE A BETTOR CHAIN OF COMMAND.
FELIX SILLA MADE A MTOION TO ADJOURN. MR. ROSENBERG SECONDED.
IT WAS PASSED. SHIRLEY BARTY GAVE THE CLOSING PRARYER.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
SHIRLEY BERG, ACTING
SECREATRY IN ABSENCE OF
MRS. VIRGINA MYERS.

DEAR FELLOW MEMBERS OF L.P.A.

AS YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR MAY I SAY AGAIN CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SAN FRANCISCO GROUP AND CONVENTION CHAIRMAN NENO CARLINO FOR A WONDERFUL TIME. SNCE THE CONVENTION I HAVE HAD A NICE TALK WITH MR. MEL COHEN, WHO SPENT SEVERAL HOURS IN OUR ROOM ALONG WITH BOB EAST AND HIS WIFE AND WE HAD A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF BOTH FEELINGS. SEVERAL LETTERS HAVE BEEN EXCHANGED ALREADY BETWEEN AL STICKNEY AND MYSELF AND CLARIFICATIONS ON SEVERAL POINTS WERE DISCUSSED ABOUT THE CONSTITUTION. I WILL NOT MAKE ANYMORE APPOINTMENTS BUT WILL CONTINUE IN THE CAPACITY OF DIRECTOR UNTIL THE CONVENTION. MAY I SAY THAT WE DIDN'T DISAGREE ON ANY POINTS AND I SPENT LAST MONDAY WITH THEM AS GUESTS OF THE STICKNEYS. I WAS DOING A SHOW FOR THE NATIONAL BOYS CLUB. LAST WEEK I HAD THE PLEASURE OF MEETING ROBERT FINCH OF H.E.W. AT A BANQUET IN HIS HONOR AT THE BILTOMORE HOTEL AND WE TALKED L.P.A. NEXT WEEK/ THE HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL BE MAKING A PRESENTATION TO YOUR DIRECTOR FOR HIS WORK WITH THE YMCA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. I ONLY BRING THESE THINGS UP IN HOPES THAT IN BEHALF OF ALL LITTLE PEOPLE MAY WE BECOME ACTIVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES.

THE CONVENTION WAS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS AND ONE OF THE BEST WE HAVE ATTENDED. IT WAS WONDERFUL TO SEE OLD AND NEW FRIENDS. AS THE DAYS NEAR FOR ME TO STEP DOWN MAY I JUST SAY IT HAS BEEN MY PLEASURE TO ~~SERVE LITTLE PEOPLE.~~

L. Barty

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JUNE 7, 1969 Beginning at 11:30 A.M., but come earlier if you can!
BAY AREA L.P.A. CHAPTER AND PARENT'S AUXILIARY PICNIC
FUN FOR ALL!!! From baby to grandma and grandpa..

Yummy

WHERE? at the "ranch" of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Ponza
2610 NORTH RODEO GULCH ROAD, SOQUEL CALIFORNIA 95073
PHONE..475-2977

Hm-m Good

BADMINTON*******BASEBALL*******HORSESHOES (but if you have an extra set of horseshoes..PLEASE bring them along!)

HIKING****CHATTING**RELAXIN***

AND of course
EATING--

The Ponza family has graciously offered to provide DESSERT AND COFFEE. But the rest is up to each individual family.... But wouldn't it be fun to pot-luck..put our food on a common table and share! That is salads beans, etc..

THERE IS ROOM FOR portable charcoal grills or hibachis..AND if you'd like to cook the meat for your own family..bring your grills or hibachis or camp stoves, course your own meat & rolls--

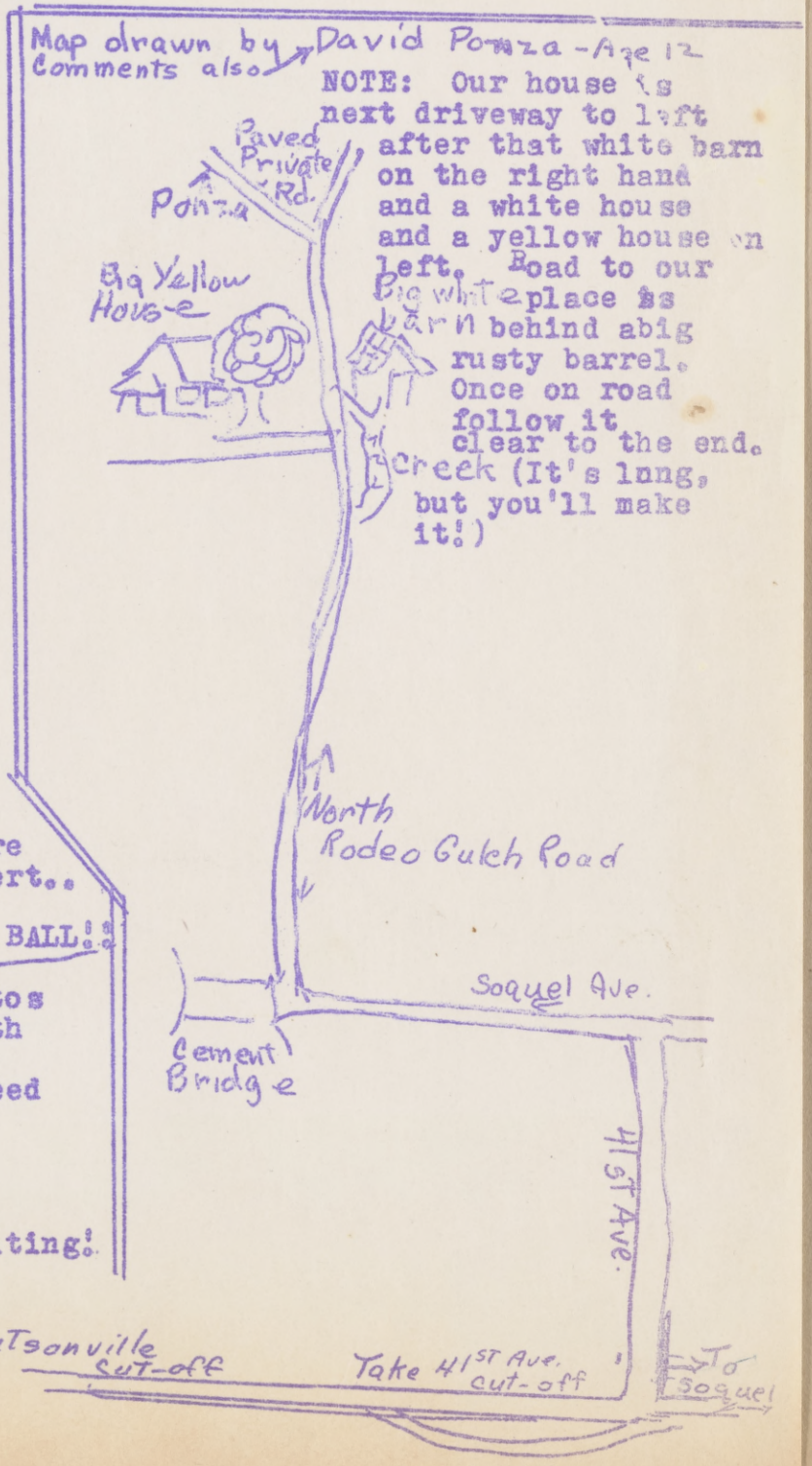
IN ADDITION***
Please bring..
plates--glasses--
tableware--napkins for each member of your family..
Drinks for the children and non-coffee drinkers..
and as mentioned above a dish (or 2) to share--such as relishes--salad--beans--hot dishes--
AND anything else for a good picnic--

BY JUNE 1, 1969 please let either
Mrs. Michael Ponza (Alice)
or
Harriet Stickney (Mrs. Al)
P.O. BOX 633--San Bruno, Calif.
PHONE 588-0695
know how many plan to come..
so Ponzas know how many tables are needed--how much coffee and dessert..

COME ONE!!! COME ALL!!! WE'LL HAVE A BALL!!!

ADDITIONAL DIRECTIONS..Get to Los Gatos from wherever you are..Proceed south on HIGHWAY 17..past Scotts Valley..
TAKE THE WATSONVILLE CUT-OFF..Proceed as shown on map..to
2610 N. Rodeo Gulch Road
Soquel, Calif. 95073
where Gano, Jennifer, Gizella, David Ponza and their parents will be waiting!

Map drawn by David Ponza - Age 12
Comments also.



NOTE: Our house is next driveway to left after that white barn on the right hand and a white house and a yellow house on left. Road to our place is behind a big rusty barrel. Once on road follow it clear to the end. Creek (It's long, but you'll make it!)

DISTRICT 12

Discussions on the history—both the facts and fancy—of little people were the focal point of the Jan. 3 meeting of the San Francisco Bay Area chapter.

On Mar. 1, the Chapter will host the annual Inaugural Banquet at the Holiday Innin Concord, Calif. In addtion, the chapter will host the Dist.

12 April 19-20 meeting in Concord.

A long-time member of LPA, Fulvio Parenti, passed away on Dec. 11. Active in LPA since 1961, Parenti had served the San Francisco Chapter for many years.

COMMITTEES:

Registration: Jackie East
Dorlene Williams
Darlene McGregor
Mary Ann Schrelder
Cathy Sampson
Mary Jane Carlino
Harriet Stickney
Bob Burgon

Banquets: Neno Carlino
Bob East
Kenny Williams

Rafflies: Al Stickney
Juanita Colla
Connie Cummins
Hilda Lange
~~Betty~~ Darlene McGregor
Carol Belnap

Publictity: Betty Stewart
Jackie East
Dorlene Williams
Mary Jane Carlino
Deloris Vercellino

Program: Betty Stewarts Juanita
Harriett Stickney
Mary Jane
Jackie

Newsletter: Mary Jane Carlino
Jackie East
Betty Stewart

Parent Auxiliary - Harriet Stickney.

Dear Members,

I would like to encourage everyone to attend the District 12 Convention, April 19-20, to be held at the Holiday Inn in Concord, Calif. The San Francisco Chapter is Hosting this meeting. Fill out the enclosed Reservation Card and return it immediately.

This is a meeting that you will vote for New District 12 Officers. Only paid Members will be aloud to vote. Have you thought of being an Officer? The Positions we will vote on will be District Director, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Secretary. The Newsletter Editor is an important position. Would you like to publish the District 12 Newsletters. There is alot of hidden talents in District 12 and now is your time to say Yes.

I have been asked if I am going to seek the Directorship. The answer is the same I gave three years ago in Fresno. I have been in the position of being a District Director for six years, head of the Los Angeles Area for several years, and involved as much with the National as Founder. The answer Therefore, is No. I said three years ago I will not run again, and as I try, I keep my word.

It is important for you to carry out those functions established in District 12. We must help Little People in Employment, Parents Discussions, Scholarships, Ways and Means, Teen-agers, Little Littles, District Newsletters, Chapter Newsletters, and the formation of Chapters. There have been many, many things established in the past, and tried to establish for the future. Eventually in one way or another they arrive. The most important thing is the individuals need. Without individuals you cannot have a group, and without a group working together you cannot have an Organization. You will be voting in New Leadership, so please try to attend.

If you are a Paid Member and you are not receiving your National Newsletter, or your Constitution, or your Membership Card please let me know immediately. With the mailing list forever changing we will try to have a New, Up-to-Date as soon as possible for the April Meeting. Ralph Petty will have the Financial Report ready. Also will be the Minutes and Board Meetings from the Las Vegas Convention. Hope to see you all in April, 19th, 20th, Concord, Calif., at the Holiday Inn.

Sincerely,

Billy Barty
District 12 Director

TELEPHONE 687-5500, A.C. 415

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February 25, 1969

Messrs. B. East and N. Carlino
5828 Santa Cruz Ave.
Richmond, California

Dear Messrs. East and Carlino:

Thank you for selecting the Holiday Inn of Concord for your dinner on Saturday, March 1, 1969. We look forward to having Little People with us.

I am enclosing a prospectus of arrangements for the event. Please sign one copy and return to us in the enclosed self-addressed envelope and retain the other copy for your files.

Please rest assured that everyone here will do his utmost to make your dinner a success. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Very truly yours,

Ronald R. Vavra

Ronald R. Vavra
Assistant Innkeeper

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Encl.

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MY NAME IS..

COURTESY
CONCORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Children's Christmas Party for the Bay Area members will be Dec. 7, at 2 p.m. at the home of Joyce and Pat Cohen.

RESTAURANT

ORGANIZATION Little People DATE March 1, 1969

BOOKED BY Mr. Bob East - Mr. N. Carlino DAY Saturday

ADDRESS 5828 Santa Cruz Ave., Richmond TIME 7:00 P.M.

TELEPHONE 526-6226 ROOM Madeira RENT

MENU

Dinner at 8:00 P.M.

Broiled New York Steak - 9 oz.
Tossed Green Salad - House Dressing
Vegetable du Jour
Potato
Hot Rolls - Butter
Coffee, Tea or Milk
Sherbet or Ice Cream

$5.50 per person Including Tax & Tip

NUMBER OF GUESTS: 30 - 40

CHECK ROOM

TABLE SET (INCLUDING EQUIPMENT)

Head Table - 10

BEVERAGES

7:00 P.M. - Cocktails in Lounge

PHOTOGRAPHS

FLOWERS

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

ENTERTAINMENT

WINES CORKAGE CIGARS CIGARETTES

ROOM RENTAL $

FOOD (PER COVER) $

DEPOSIT $

Please notify us by Feb. 26 if number of guests changes. We will allow a 10% leeway.

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TICKET SELLER | TICKET COLLECTOR

- ☐ SEATING PLANS
- ☐ TABLE NUMBERS
- ☐ CARDS
- ☐ TALLIES
- ☐ PLATFORM
- ☐ BLACKBOARD & POINTER
- ☐ CHECKING STAND
- ☐ PIANO
- ☐ ORCHESTRA

ORGANIZATION

WE AGREE THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF GUESTS SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN 90% OF RESERVATIONS MADE: AND, THAT A FORTY-EIGHT HOUR NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN OF ANY CHANGES IN TOTAL RESERVATIONS MADE.

DATE 2-20-69 BY Ronald R. Vavra

DATE 2/27/69 FIRM L.P.A.

BY Nino Carlino

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MY NAME IS..

COURTESY
CONCORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter
Little People Of America, Inc.

5828 Santa Cruz Avenue
Richmond, California
March 12, 1969

Hello There,

I wish at this time to personally extend an invitation to you to attend the District 12 Convention at the beautiful Holiday Inn in Concord, California, April 18, 19 & 20.

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter is hosting this convention and we are trying to make this one of the best District 12 has ever had.

Registration will begin Friday night, April 18, at 7 P.M. and a nice prize to be given at a drawing of the names of those registered at 10:30 P.M.

The first meeting will be at 9:30 A.M. Saturday, April 19. This will be the time the District 12 officers for the next three years will be nominated -- be there to see that your choice is nominated.

Saturday afternoon there will be Parent's Auxiliary Meetings, get-to-gethers for the teens, something for the Little-Littles, and doings planned for everyone with lots of prizes to be given away.

The beartiful Sun Valley Shopping Center (the biggest indoor shopping center in the state) is right across the street and there will be time available for any that would like to take a tour.

One of our big events is planned for Saturday evening (April 19), with the cocktail hour at 7 P.M. followed by our Banquet at 8 P.M. We have a big surprise planned for everyone (Something I'm sure you wont want to miss) following the Dinner and before the dancing.

There will be a band for the dance and you can dance until your heart's content.

If you have not already started making plans to attend, please let me urge you to do so.

I am looking forward to seeing you there.

A map is enclosed for your convience.

Sincerely,

Neno Carlino

Neno Carlino
CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

P. S. Please get your reservation in early.

RESERVATION REQUEST

Name (please print) .....

Address .....

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Company .....

Date of Arr. ..... Time of Arr. ..... Guaranteed Arr. .....

No. of Nights ..... No. of Rooms .....

Type of Accom. requested: 1 Bed ..... 2 Beds ..... Other .....

No. of Guests .....

Special Request .....

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If you plan to arrive after 6 pm your reservations must be on a payment guaranteed basis. "No Shows" will be billed.

signature .....

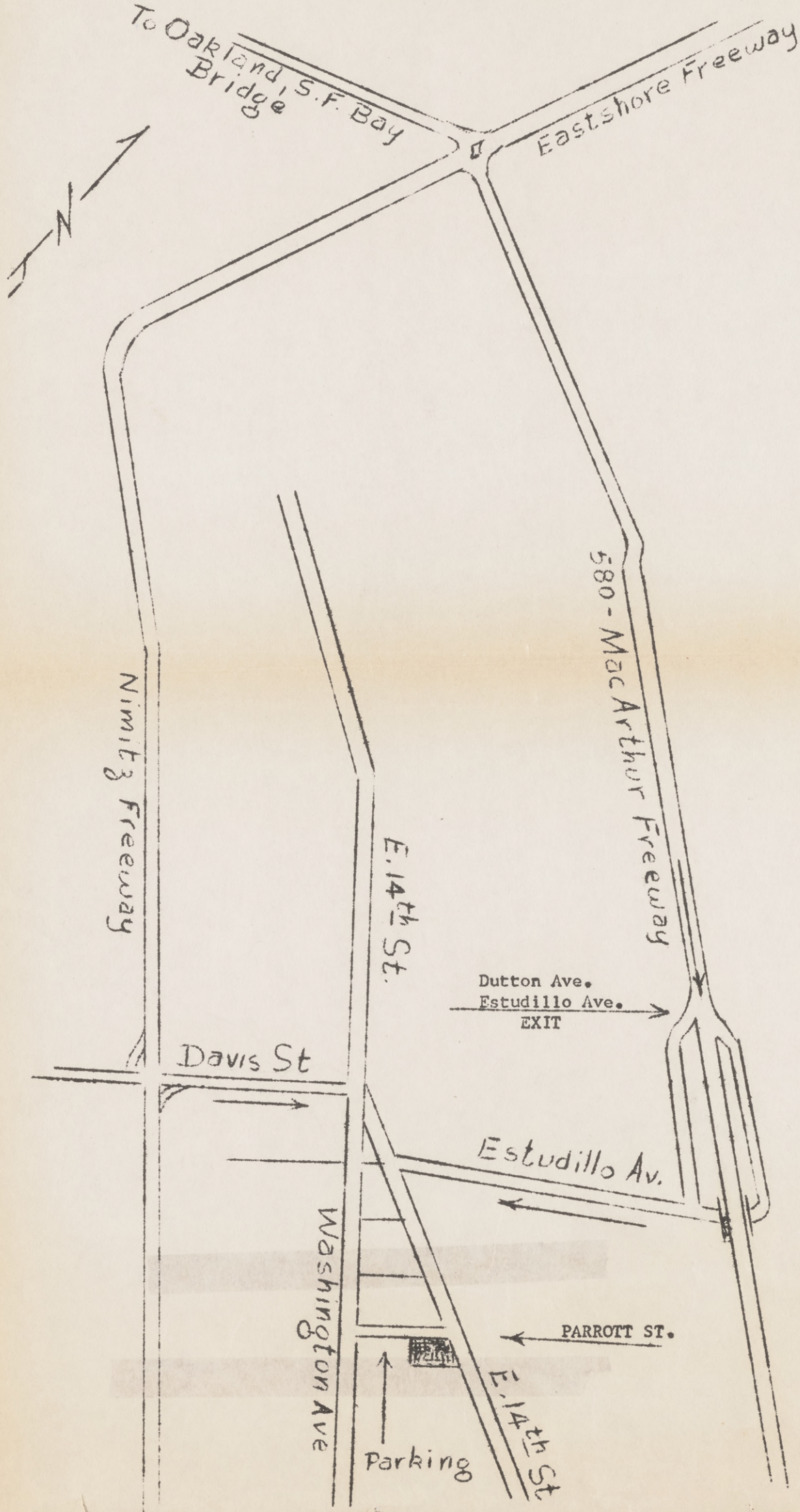
Phone A/C 415—687-5500

OUR NEW MEETING PLACE will be at the:

AMERICAN SAVINGS & LOAN BLDG.

1601 E. 14th St at Parrott St

San Leandro, California



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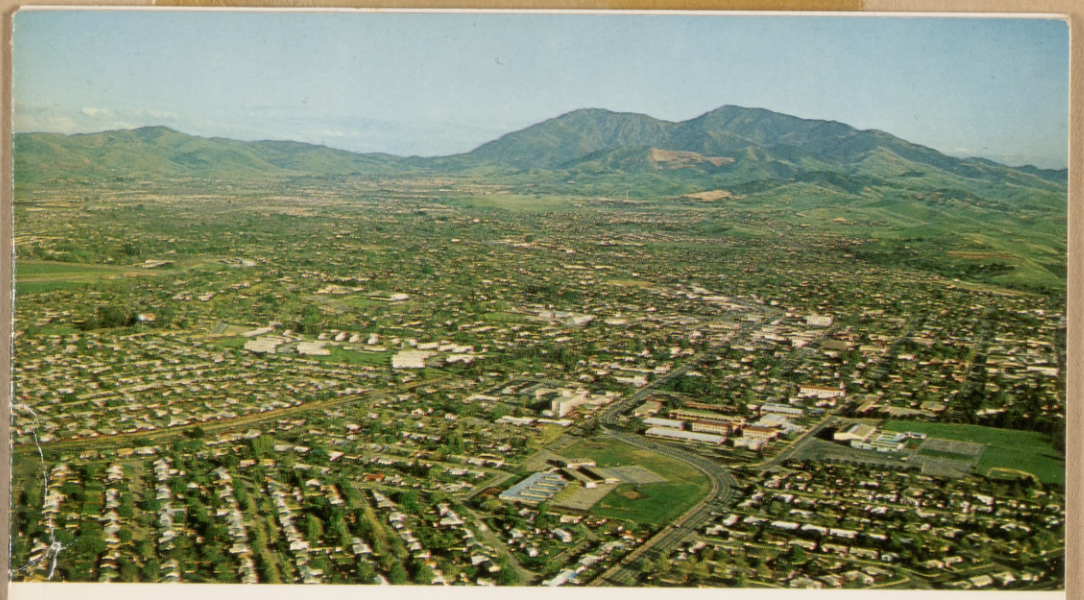

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2	70 Dinners @ 5.00		350.00	
3	2 Dinners @ 4.00		8.00	
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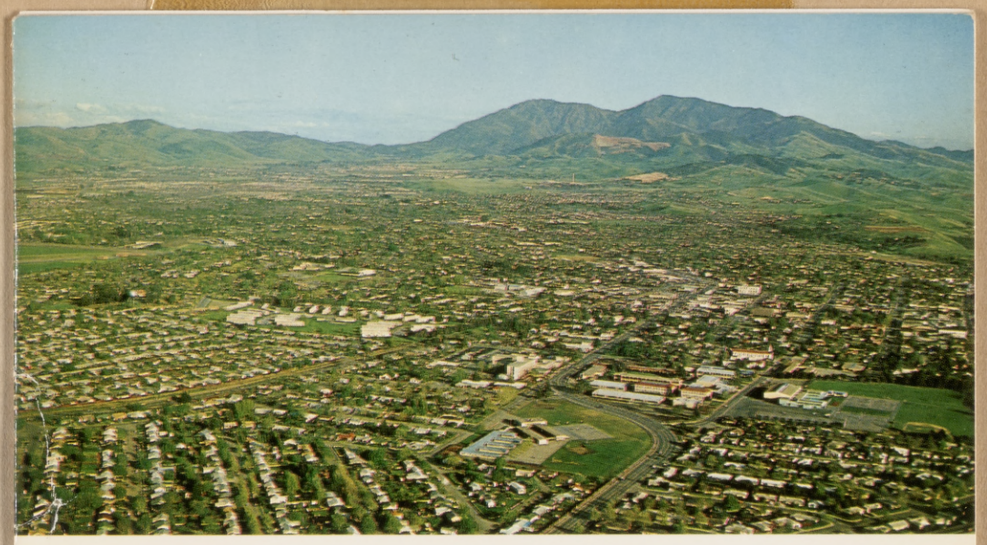

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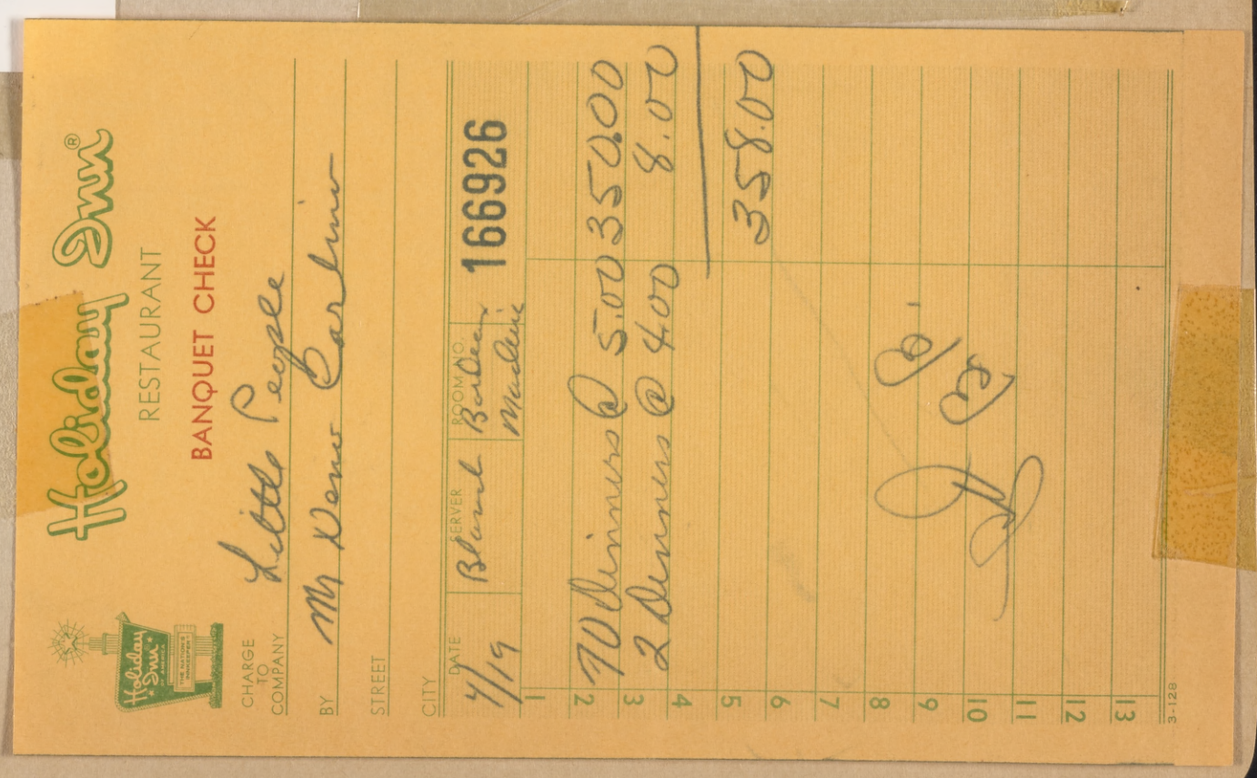

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DISTRICT 12 CONVENTION

APRIL 18-19-20

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City of Concord

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

February 20, 1969

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I was delighted to learn that your organization, the Little People of America, has chosen Concord for its District 12 convention.

I will be looking forward to meeting you personally and extending the greetings of the City of Concord when your Convention convenes on April 19th.

Very truly yours,

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COMMITTEES

REGISTRATION:
Jackie East * Dorene Williams * Darlene McGregor
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Harriet Stickney

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GENERAL MEETING

11:00 - 11:30 A. M.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

APRIL 19

1:30 - 3:00 P.M.

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4:00 - 5:30

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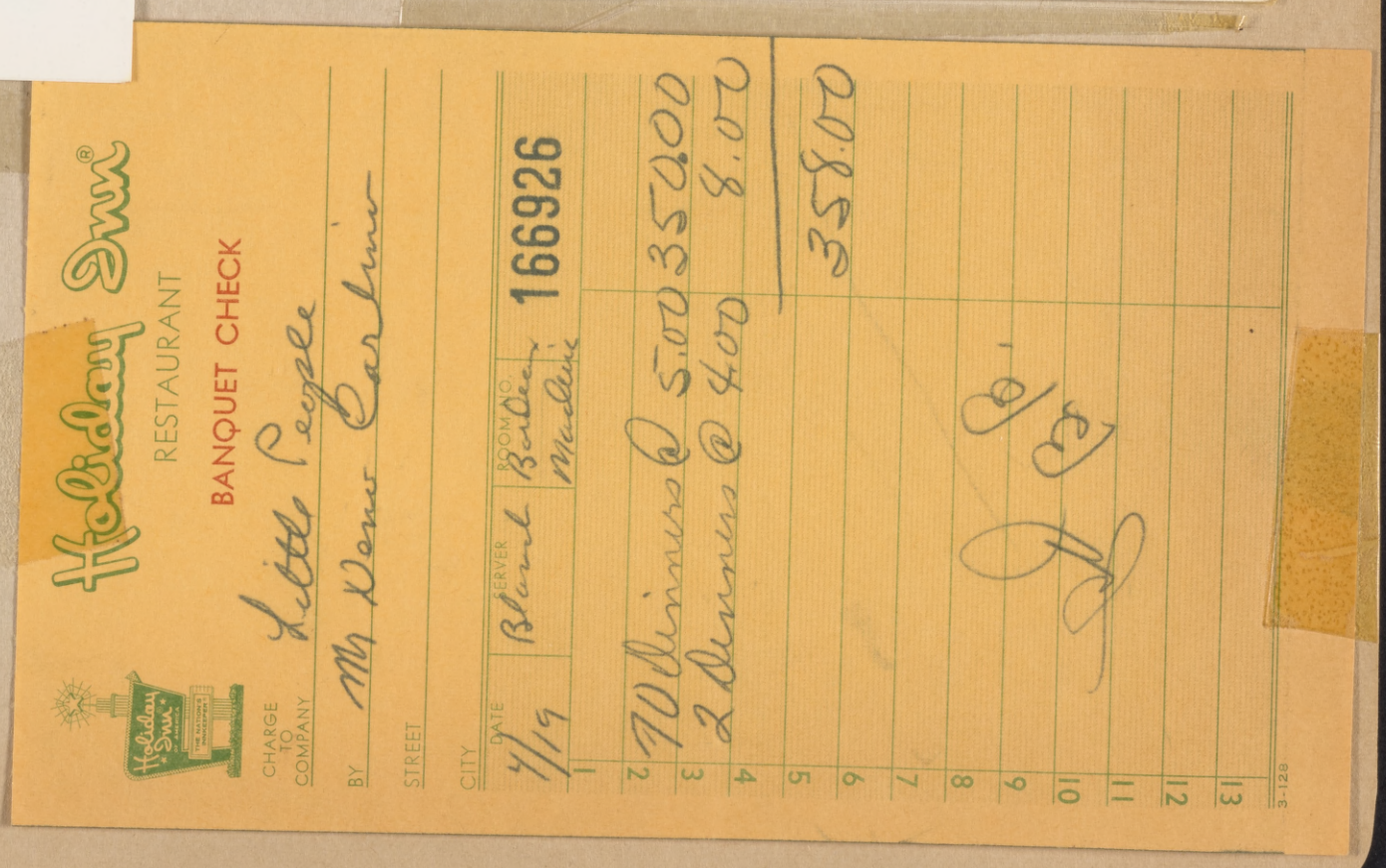

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Big Convention For Little People

Concord is being visited by the little people this weekend.

The Little People of America, an organization of dwarfs and their children, held its district convention in Concord.

The purpose of the convention was to elect officers and discuss some of the problems that are common to people who are smaller than average.

Neno Caelino, a past president of the Bay Area chapter of the organization and this year's convention chairman, pointed out, "We're just as average as a six - footer. The only distance we have to conquer is that between our ears."

A RICHMOND machinist, Caelino and his wife, who is also dwarfed, have four children. Two boys are dwarfed and two girls are average - sized.

"Size is determined by God's will," Caelino explained.

He said that many little people have hard times finding jobs — but emphasized that once they have proven their ability, employers look at them in a different light.

"We have people in all the different fields. Name any job and you'll find a little person there. We have machinists, teachers, accountants, engineers — you name it," Caelino declared.

CAELINO explained that one of the main functions of the organization is to help the dwarf children, or the "little little people" as they are called.

Saturday afternoon at the convention was spent ing the problems the tle people face.

A SMALL MINORITY VISITS CONCORD

Mr. and Mrs. Neno Caelino and Mel Cohen of Pleasant Hill take part in a discussion at a district convention of the Little People of America in Concord. Caelino was chairman of the convention which had 50 dwarfs in attendance. Cohen is the president of Human Growth, Inc., a Pleasant Hill growth-research organization.

"Sure a lot of the kids have some problems," Caelino said. "The parents' auxiliary was formed to help the kids learn to face the public. We hope to get the kids to join the club. I know when they see how we act it gives them a lot of confidence," said Caelino.

OTHER THAN being short, the little people lead lives very similar to average - sized persons.

They drive cars, hold down responsible positions, bear children and aren't very different than anyone else.

"Lots of people get the wrong impression, but only two per cent of the little people are show people," Caelino said. One of those show people, Billy Barty, is the outgoing president and is in attendance at the convention.

Mrs. Alfred Stickney, vice president of the chapter, pointed out the organization works closely with any groups doing research on dwarfism.

"WE'RE ONE group that is trying to eliminate itself," she smiled.

She said that special mechanical devices are used to help the little people in doing the tasks, such as driving an auto or pushing an elevator button, that would come more easily for an average - sized person.

Mrs. Stickney, a former schoolteacher who retired to raise a family, said that while she was teaching she found she had more empathy for her students because of her small size.

"There wasn't this big creature hovering over them all day long," she said.

Caelino urged any little people or people who know of little people who are not members of the non - profit organization to call him at 526-6226 in Richmond.

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JULY 4th and JULY 5th, SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER WORK DAYS, as we put together the NATIONAL LEA HANDBOOK.

WHAT TIME? Starting at 9:30 A.M., both the mornings of the 4th and 5th. IF we need to work the 6th, we'll decide time on the 5th.
REMEMBER: REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CHAPTER, 1:00P.M. on Friday, the 4th, at the church.

WHERE? ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1600 SANTA LUCIA AVE., in SAN BRUNO, CA. The church is on the south side of San Bruno Park, a few blocks from Harriet and Al Stickneys. (See map below for directions)

WHAT ABOUT FOOD? Bring your own bag or picnic lunch, include plates and tableware. Coffee, tea, and a fruit punch will be provided. There's a patio next to the room where we'll be working.

FOURTH OF JULY activities will be going on in the park on Friday. So if you have children who can take care of themselves, they can enjoy the celebration. Course, on the 5th, they can still use the park for games, etc. BUT REMEMBER: FOR THE ADULTS, this has to be WORK DAYS, as at least 350 copies of the handbook must be ready to send to Minneapolis for the national convention.

Some of you have told us you were coming, if you have not, please let Harriet and Al (219 Cypress-P.O. Box 633, San Bruno, Ca. 94066 PHONE 589-0695) or Jackie and Bob East, 3405 Dimond #8, Oakland, CA. 94602, PHONE 536-9034 know as soon as you can.

HOPE TO SEE YOU EITHER THE 4th or 5th OR BOTH DAYS, IF YOU CAN...

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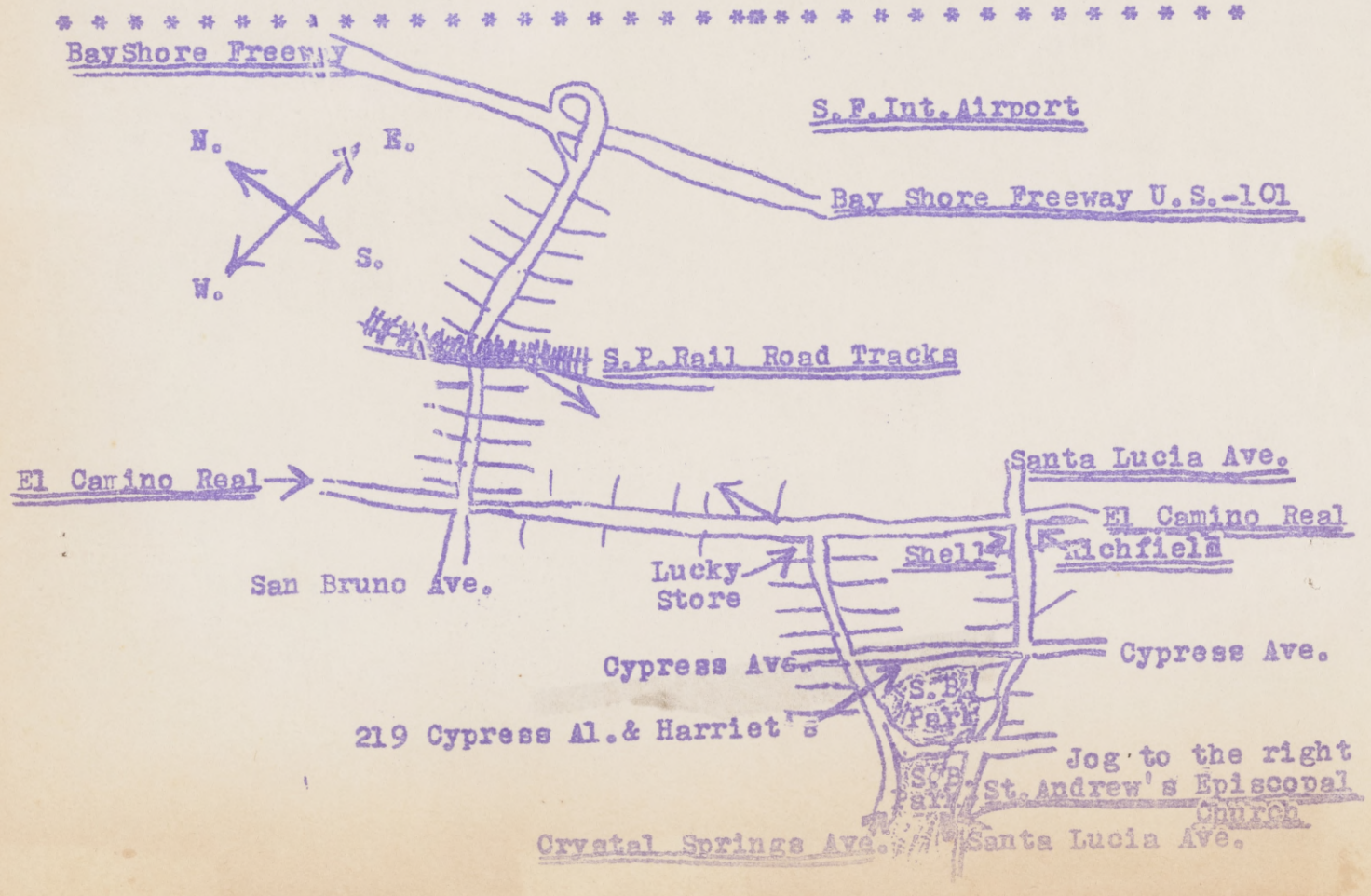

The highlights of 1969 were:

A picnic was held at the Ponza's ranch near Santa Cruz on June 7, 1969.

Our second picnic was held at Chabot Park in San Leandro on August 17.

We held a housewarming party at Kenny and Dorene Williams new home on November 15, 1969.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER
(REFERRED TO AS SFBAC FROM HERE ON)
CAROL BELKNAP, RECORDING SECRETARY AND JACKIE EAST, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORTING

MAY 2 AND JUNE 6--TWO WELL ATTENDED REGULAR MEETINGS WERE HELD AT THE AMERICAN SAVINGS, 1001 E. 14TH ST., SAN LEANDRO. IF YOU ARE EVER IN THE BAY AREA AROUND THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH, JOIN US ABOUT 7:30 P.M. PROSPECTIVE AND NEW MEMBERS AT THOSE MEETINGS INCLUDED MARY PELKINGTON, DEE CLARK, JOAN CECIL, DAWN HEINIG, AND PETER NORMAN.

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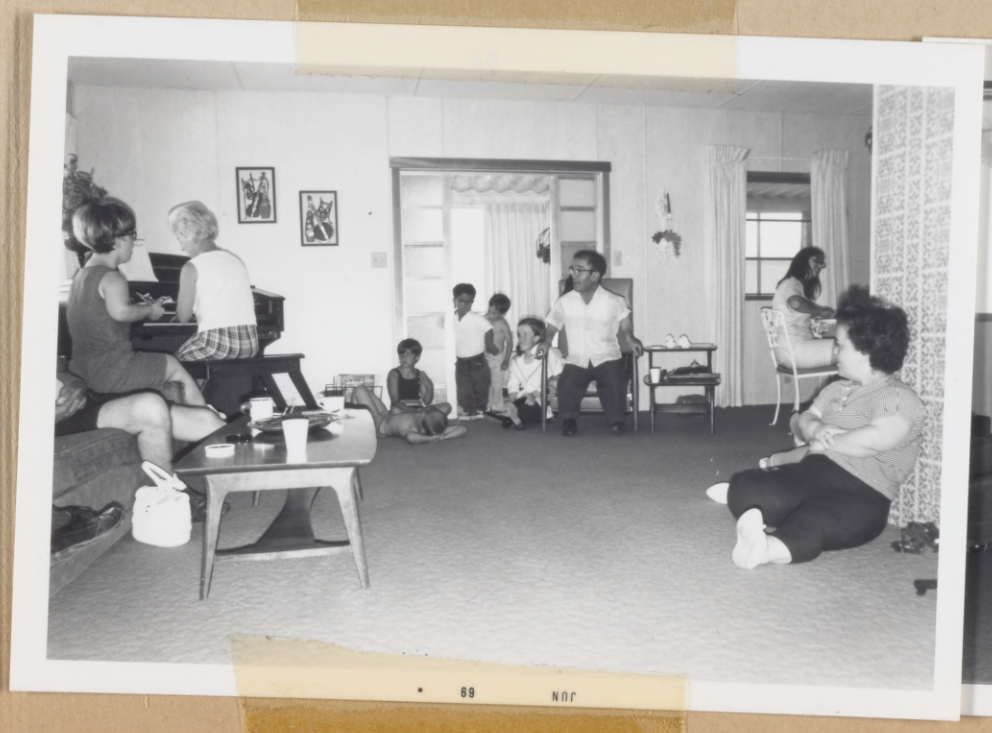
JUNE 7 JOINT CHAPTER AND PARENT AUXILIARY PICNIC, SOQUEL, CALIF. AT THE RANCH OF LITTLE LITTLE GENO PONZA, HIS PARENTS, ALICE AND MICHAEL, AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY, DAVID, GIZELLE, AND JENNIFER. 50 LP'S, FRIENDS, AND RELATIVES HAD A GRAND DAY IN THE WIDE OPEN SPACES. VOLLEYBALL AND BADMITON WERE ENJOYED. GENO AND IRVING SCIBLE PROVIDED SHRIEKS FROM THE FIRLS BY CATCHING A SNAKE. MATHEW, JOSH, AND SAM ROLOFF AND THEIR FRIENDS LOVED THAT TRACTOR. ATE HEARTILY AGAIN, AS WE HAD A POTLUCK. LATER THE PONZAS SERVED DESSERT AND COFFEE ON THEIR DECK. WE WERE DELIGHTED TO HAVE DR. CHRISTI BASCH, HER SON AND THEIR HOUSEGUEST JOIN US. MANY OF YOU HAVE MET HER AT VARIOUS LPA FUNCTIONS. GREAT TO SEE LYNETTE ARLADA AGAIN. HAD BEEN A LONG TIME.



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